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BRITISH MINISTER INSTRUCTED TO LEAVE RUMANIA SOON

POSITION OF LEGATION HAS BECOME IMPOSSIBLE

German High Command Building Up Large Expeditionary Force

THE POSITION OF THE BRITISH LEGATION IN RUMANIA HAS BECOME IMPOSSIBLE AND, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT IN LONDON YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, THE BRITISH MINISTER, SIR REGINALD HOARE, PRESENTED A NOTE TO THE RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT DEMANDING HIS PASSPORT.

Sir Reginald, and his full staff of 50, hope to leave Bucharest to catch the first available boat on or after next Saturday.

SOME MONTHS AGO GERMAN TROOPS BEGAN TO ARRIVE IN RUMANIA IN LARGE NUMBERS. The Rumanian Government informed His Majesty's Government that these Nazi troops had arrived for the purpose of giving instruction.

NEXT FEW WEEKS MIGHT PROVE MOST VITAL IN CIVILISATION

Discussing matters in the Pacific, MR. P. C. SPENDER, AUSTRALIAN MINISTER FOR WAR, said that the question of the Pacific remaining free from war, would depend on the success with which Britain would meet the coming attack against her, states a Sydney message.

"The next few weeks might prove to be the most vital weeks in the history of civilisation," declared Mr. Spender.—(Special)

PREPARED FOR BIGGER BUDGET

Australia is being prepared for a bigger budget, states a message from Sydney.

MR. CURTIN, MINISTER OF FINANCE, said that it is plain, as daylight that the next budget will be bigger than the last. It was possible that the next few weeks would see the Empire resisting desperate measures launched against it.

"We expect everything from everybody," concluded Mr. Curtin.—(Special)

LITTLE ENEMY ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 10 (British Wireless)—An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states:

"There was little enemy activity over this country on Sunday night. A few bombs were dropped at places in East Anglia, in Essex, the Home counties and at one place in the west of Scotland.

"Little damage was done and there were few casualties."

MR. HARRY HOPKINS

LONDON, Feb. 10 (British Wireless)—Mr. Harry Hopkins, personal representative of President Roosevelt, has authorised the American Embassy to say he has concluded his mission and has left for the U.S.A.

STRENGTHENING AUSTRALIA'S WAR EFFORT

The union of the two sections of the Labour Party in Australia will mean a great strengthening of the country's war effort, states a message from Sydney.

Mr. Curtin made a statement yesterday to the effect that the Government was determined, that no matter how great the sacrifices may be, nothing would be allowed to interfere with giving Britain every assistance and keeping Australia safe.

Many thousands of men and women, he said, were doing extraordinary work and the Government would have to ask for £25,000,000 by the end of June and already had £18,000,000 in hand.—(Special)

NEW ZEALAND PREPARES

As a precaution against hit-and-run raids, regular black-outs are to be practised nightly in coastal towns in New Zealand, states a message from Sydney.

The message also adds that the New Zealand Government has been making a study of all crashes by aircraft in the country and in not one single case, have they found that the mishap was due to mechanical failure.—(Special)

Some instruction may have been given but information has reached the British Government that the GERMAN HIGH COMMAND is building up ALL THE ELEMENTS OF A LARGE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE and has established bases for supplies of oil and munitions in Rumania.

As this is considered to be used by Germany for the prosecution of the war, without one word of dissent from the Rumanian Government, the position of the British Legation became impossible.

The British Government instructed Sir Reginald Hoare to withdraw the Legation and the Consular officials under his control.—(Special)

STRICTER BLACK-OUTS
Stricter black-out precautions are to be observed in Bucharest, states a London message.

All electric signs, brightly lit shop windows, and lights showing in houses, are strictly forbidden. Citizens are advised to get a supply of torches and candles in case of an emergency.—(Special)

NAZI CONTROL

The Rumanian Air Force, according to an American correspondent in Ankara, is now 100 per cent. under Nazi control.

Information received in London states that German soldiers stationed in Rumania are being issued with civilian clothes and sent to Bulgaria as tourists.—(Special)

PROF. JAMES GUILTY BUT INSANE

LONDON, Feb. 10 (Reuters)—Professor Lloyd James, charged with the murder of his wife, a former noted violinist, was found guilty but insane and ordered to be detained during the King's pleasure.

Mrs. James was found dead with wounds in her bedroom in their home.

James told the Police: "I thought my powers were fading and could not cope with my work. Rather than expect her to face the bleak future, I decided she should die and not be asked to face it. I thought I would also kill myself."

VITAL PART IN VICTORY

Lord Cranborne, Secretary for the Dominions, yesterday welcomed a contingent of Canadian, Australian and New Zealand airmen who have just returned to England after completing their course in Canada under the Empire Air Training Scheme.

Mr. Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner, was also present when Lord Cranborne inspected the contingent.

The Dominions Secretary said that the Empire Air Training Scheme was one of the most important in Imperial co-operation and must play a vital part in victory.

"I cannot imagine anything more discouraging to Hitler and his collaborators than to see this increasing wave of the finest pilots in the world coming steadily across the Atlantic to our shores to strike blows at vital points in Germany," he added.

ITALIANS HARD HIT IN AIR

In Albania, the Greeks, supported by the R. A. F. are hitting the Italians hard in the air, states a London message.—(Special)

EIGHT DOWNED

ATHENS, Feb. 10 (Reuters)—The shooting down by the Greek Air Force of eight enemy planes without loss to themselves is recorded in last night's Greek High Command communiqué which otherwise merely mentions restricted patrol and artillery and the capture of some prisoners.

Muddled Methods Of Immigration Office Have Gone From Bad To Worse: Philosophic Understanding Of Hongkong Chinese Exhausted

THE MUDDLED METHODS OF THE IMMIGRATION OFFICE REFERRED TO IN A LEADING ARTICLE IN THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS OF NOV. 20, 1940 (two days before the Ordinance came up for the first reading in the Legislative Council), have gone from bad to worse until even the "characteristic philosophic calm and understanding" of the Hongkong Chinese has been exhausted, and they have been forced to call upon their representatives on the Council to take the whole matter up with the Government.

MR. CURRIE CALLS ON CHIANG

CHUNGKING, Feb. 10 (Reuters)—After a round of courtesy calls on Chinese Government leaders including Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the United States Economic Mission started to study the data relating to Chinese finance and economics communications with Chinese experts.

Mr. Laughlin Currie, President Roosevelt's personal representative in China and head of the delegation, it is learned, will begin a series of conversations with Government leaders.

Mr. Emil Despres, a member of the Mission, will take part in the talks.

The Government, it is understood, has assigned a number of experts to act as Mr. Currie's consultants. The authorities compiled voluminous data pertaining to finance and economics communications.

When the Ordinance was debated on Nov. 29 last, the honourable Chinese members sought an assurance, which was given by the Hon. Attorney-General, that the Ordinance would be administered without any red tape and with the minimum of inconvenience to the Chinese.

THE HON. DR. LI SHU-FAN further sought the assurance that "in the administration of the Ordinance, the officials should be civil, sympathetic, tactful, and that the 'issuing of entry permits and residence certificates should not be so drastically restricted as to cause undue hardship, or to defeat the object of the present Bill, leading thereby to widespread bribery, or wholesale smuggling of immigrants into the Colony."

THE HON. MR. C. G. ALABASTER stated, in reply, that both the Immigration Officer and his deputy were formerly in the S.C.A., and he was confident that, as they both spoke Chinese, they would not administer the Bill in any hostile fashion.

SPEECH BY MR. T. V. SOONG

MR. T. V. SOONG, speaking at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, on Jan. 23, recalled with satisfaction that the second of the prophecies he made seven years ago, namely that "the Japanese aggression would prove the hammer by which the unity of China would be forged" had come true.

Referring to the wars in China and Europe, Mr. Soong said that the world was indeed fortunate in having outstanding leaders like Mr. Winston Churchill and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who, with the backing and sustaining influence of President Roosevelt, are standing firmly against Hitler, Mussolini and Konoze.

Mr. Soong gave very interesting details of the guerilla warfare being conducted by the Chinese.

A full report of this enlightening speech will be found on Page 4 of this issue.

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Big French Hotel Destroyed

BERLIN, Feb. 10 (Reuters)—Another big French hotel has been destroyed by fire, according to a Paris message to the official German News Agency.

The hotel in question is the Grand Hotel of Britannia at Carnaplage, near Lorient.

It is recalled that on Feb. 7, the German official News Agency reported the destruction by fire of a large hotel in Dieppe with damage estimated at two-and-a-half million francs.

2,000-MILE FLIGHT IN ONE DAY

FAR EAST C-IN-C IN MELBOURNE



SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM

Announcing the arrival in Melbourne of Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East, a message from Sydney yesterday stated that he covered a 2,000-mile flight in one day, using a special R. A. F. machine.

Sir Robert is to discuss questions vital to the defences of Australia with Sir John McEwen, the Commonwealth Air Minister and other officials.—(Special)

LONDON, Feb. 10 (British Wireless)—An Admiralty communiqué last night announced that His Majesty's trawler Almond and an Arctic trapper have been sunk.

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Today's News Summary

THE POSITION OF THE BRITISH LEGATION in Rumania has become impossible. Yesterday, on instructions from His Majesty's Government, the British Minister in Bucharest presented a note demanding his passport. The Minister, with his full staff and Consular officials under his control, will leave Rumania on the first available boat on or after Saturday.

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S MESSAGE to the British nation has been warmly welcomed and the Press of the United States are unanimous in hailing it as Britain's implacable will to victory. Congressman Sol Bloom, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the House of Representatives, described it as a superb message.

FRESH ADVANCES AGAINST ITALIANS are being continued in Africa. Support given by the R.A.F. to ground forces in Eritrea and Abyssinia continues relentlessly. The Egyptian Government have asked the British Ambassador, Sir Miles Lampson, to convey their congratulations to the British Government on the capture of Benghazi. The Italians are mourning the loss of the province of Cyrenaica, considered to be the jewel of the Italian empire.

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THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB.ANNUAL RACE MEETING.
1941.15th, 17th, 18th, 19th and
22nd February.

On Saturday, 15th, Monday, 17th, Tuesday, 18th and Wednesday, 19th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 22nd February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The fifth interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND
ENCLOSURES

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE
WILL BE ADMITTED TO
THE MEMBERS'
ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 9.45 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 11.45 a.m. ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, (Tel. 21920).

ON NO PRETEXT WILL CHILDREN BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1941.

HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 48 hours ended at midnight on Feb. 9:—Cholera, one case; Small-Pox, one case; Diphtheria, two cases; Enteric Fever, one case; Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Dysentery, 15 cases; Tuberculosis, 33 cases.

AIMS OF FREE FRENCH
MOVEMENTS DEFINEDDE GAULLE'S EMISSARY HERE
TO MEET LOCAL ADHERENTS

A meeting of local Free Frenchmen this evening, to be held at the office of M. Louis Blau, President of the Free French Movement in Hongkong, will assemble to meet M. Guy de Quoniam Schompres, General Charles de Gaulle's representative in the Far East, when the new President of the Free French Movement in Hongkong will also be nominated.

The nomination will be made by M. de Schompres, acting for General de Gaulle. M. Blau will be leaving in the near future for London where he will assist the Movement. M. de Schompres arrived recently from Singapore, where at present the Far Eastern Headquarters of the Free French Movement are situated. He was formerly in the French Consular Service and was stationed last in Tientsin.

At a press conference yesterday, M. de Schompres revealed that no fewer than 200 to 300 volunteers from among Frenchmen in the Far East have already passed through Singapore on their way to Britain or Africa to join the banner of de Gaulle. The majority of them are from Shanghai.

The Movement has gathered force throughout the past few months and local Committees have been established at Shanghai, Hongkong, Manila, Singapore and in the Dutch Indies. All the men who have volunteered to fight for de Gaulle have been sent to their respective destinations, expenses being met in most part from subscriptions by the various local Committees for this purpose.

CONCENTRATION POINT

One of the main purposes behind the establishment of the local committees has been this financing for the journey from various ports to Singapore, now the concentration point for Free Frenchmen travelling to Britain and Africa, and from there for the rest of the journey.

"We have received sufficient for our needs thus far," M. de Schompres said, "but we need more. Most of the money up to now has come from French people in the Far East. I would like to see more from supporters of General de Gaulle's movement other than Frenchmen."

Asked as to how many were to make the journey to join de Gaulle's forces, M. de Schompres replied that the numbers eventually would be limited by the fact that many Frenchmen in the East were occupying positions where it was indispensable that they should remain here. He cited the French Police in Shanghai as occupying positions of such an indispensable nature.

"The best judge of the indispensability of any individual Frenchman to his job here would, of course, be his chief," M. de Schompres explained.

AIMS DEFINED

The Free French Movement is not a political party or a Government created to oppose the Vichy Government, M. de Schompres explained. "We are a legion which has three aims: the liberation of France, the victory of Britain and her allies and the suppression of

PASSENGERS

DEPARTURES FROM
THE COLONY

The following left Hongkong yesterday by the President Monroe:—

Mr. W. G. Braidwood, Mr. H. C. Durrsmith, Mr. Ted M. Hockaday, Mr. W. J. Wilson, Mr. William Wright.

RECENT ARRIVALS
IN COLONY

Arrivals by the m.s. Asama Maru yesterday from Yokohama, Kobe and Manila were Mr. S. Inamura, Mr. T. Hiraoka, Mr. S. Huzil, Mr. J. S. Howell, Mr. Y. Kondo, Mr. G. Villouquet, and Mr. J. Yamasaki.

Through passengers by the same vessel for Shanghai were Mr. T. Amano, Mrs. H. Grzelowa, Mr. J. Rosset, Mrs. H. De Brabant, Mr. T. Kurozumi, and Mrs. S. L. Paulberg.

Passengers for Kobe were Mr. T. Host, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Matheson, Mr. K. Sintani, Mr. T. Mori, Mr. O. Okahasi and Mr. I. Salto and Mr. K. Ueda.

Passengers for Honolulu were Miss M. Goya and Mrs. D. Q. De Veyra, for San Francisco: Mr. G. Salcedo, Mr. P. G. Arnovick and Mrs. M. Pock.

brutal power personified by Nazi Germany."

The local committees have been established to help achieve these three aims. Their task is to group all the French who are still free and ask them to help the Free French Movement, either by joining the Free French Forces which are being trained, equipped and organised in Great Britain and Africa, or if they cannot leave their work, by helping financially and in every way possible the Movement.

M. VILLOQUET

M. Gaston Villoquet, leader of the Free French Movement in Manila, arrived in the Colony yesterday morning and conferred with M. de Schompres in the forenoon. M. Villoquet told the press he had received applications in Manila from more than 600 Americans and Filipinos who desired to join the Free French military forces as volunteers.

M. Villoquet was formerly French Consul in Manila. He resigned his post about the same time as M. Guy de Schompres, who was Deputy Consul in Tientsin, to join General de Gaulle's Movement.

Americans or Filipinos cannot officially enlist in the Free French Forces until the U. S. Neutrality Law has been repealed, M. Villoquet pointed out.

"If this law is repealed we will be very busy sending volunteers from the United States and the Philippines to join our forces in the Middle East, Britain and elsewhere," he added.

Cruiser
Championship
Of R.H.K.Y.C.

The 5th Cruiser Championship race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club sailed yesterday resulted as follows:—

DIVISION I			
Yacht	Finished	Cor.	Pts.
Donna	15.37.39	15.19.45	29
(E. Cock)			
Norena	15.36.47	15.36.47	31
(P. C. M. Sedgwick)			
Yehonala	15.28.03	16.00.51	21
(G. W. Bearman)			
Red Rover	15.50.30	15.07.27	16
(R. W. Bateman)			
DIVISION II			
Evoleme	17.36.42	16.15.01	22
(Major G. E. Neve)			
Tyrone	19.28.45	17.13.43	31
(B. Herschend)			
Vand I	19.03.44	17.49.54	9
(J. B. Collis)			
4-TONNERS			
Tern	17.34.54	16.11.30	26
(J. L. Anderson)			
Typhoon	18.33.40	16.48.40	32
(D. Campbell)			
Curlew	19.19.25	17.22.01	28
(P. Clarke)			
Monsion	20.06.25	17.59.54	8
(B. S. Carter)			

GOVERNOR
INSPECTS A.R.P.
TUNNELS

Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, headed by His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, inspected some of Hongkong's A.R.P. tunnels and pen-shelters yesterday afternoon.

Details as to the construction of the tunnels, the ventilation system, and capacity, were explained to those present by Mr. H. J. Pearce, Assistant Director of Public Works Department.

Besides His Excellency there were also present H.E. Major-Gen. A. E. Grasett, Hon. Capt. A. C. Collinson, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, D.M.S., Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. B. H. Fuckle, Deputy Director of A.R.P.

WEEK-END
FOOTBALL
FIXTURES

The following are the football fixtures for the week-end:—

SATURDAY

Division I (4.15 p.m.): Royal Scots v. Club (Sookunpo), Sing Tao v. Middlesex (Club), Police v. Kowloon (Boundary St.), St. Joseph's v. Navy (Caroline Hill), Division II (2.45 p.m.): Middlesex v. Club (Sookunpo), Sing Tao v. Kowloon (Club), R.A.O.C. v. Navy (C. Hill).

Division III (2.45 p.m.): 20th R.A. v. Shell (Boundary St.).

SUNDAY

LAI WAH CUP FINAL (3.30 p.m.): Army v. Civilian (Club).

Division I (4.15 p.m.): Kwong Wah v. Eastern (Boundary St.).

Division II (2.45 p.m.): Kit Chee v. South China (C. Hill), Police v. Kwong Wah (Boundary St.).

Division III (2.45 p.m.): 30th R.A. v. R.A.F. (Sookunpo), A.S.A. v. 35th R.A. (Chatham Rd.), (4.15).

24th R.A. v. Signals (Chatham Rd.), (2.45), R.A.M.C. v. International (Sookunpo) (4.15).

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TALK ON S'PORE'S
"WILD LIFE"

In a talk broadcast from the Singapore station, entitled "The Wild Life of Singapore"—a title which might well have raised some false hopes—Mr. F. N. Chasen said: "In case any of you are feeling a little apprehensive about this wild life business, let me hasten to assure you that tonight I shall be discretion itself, and that no names will be mentioned. In fact, my talk is about the birds, butterflies and such-like things."

Singapore, he said, was a poor place for the naturalist. There was very little undisturbed country left and most of the resident birds and animals had been shot out. One could walk miles here without getting a thrill of any kind. Continuing, Mr. Chasen said:

"There are several reasons for the paucity of animals. I use the word in its widest sense. In Singapore

COASTAL ISLAND

"Firstly, we share a general disadvantage in being a coastal island. Oceanic islands have their own peculiar, often highly interesting fauna, and nesting colonies of seabirds, but the coastal islands draw their fauna from the adjacent mainland and are normally populated only by those indigenous species that enjoy a wide range in the lowlands, and that, furthermore, do not favour any restricted habitat such as the vicinity of large rivers, foothills, limestone cliffs, or rice-fields.

"Secondly, we are not in the line of any of the main migration routes. Birds breeding in the far north of Asia, Mongolia and Japan do visit us it is true, but the main migratory streams either filter along the tops of the high mountains forming the backbone of the Malay Peninsula, or use the offshore islands in the Straits of Malacca as stepping stones to their winter quarters in Sumatra and elsewhere.

"Thirdly, of course, we have very little virgin forest left on the island. Most Malayan animals are denizens of the jungle and when the trees are cut down the wild life disappears, for only a very small minority of the animals adapt themselves to the changed conditions."

NEED FOR PROTECTION

After describing the various species of reptiles, birds and other animals still found on the island, Mr. Chasen referred to the vexed question of protection and said that there were so many interests to consider that it was always a difficult matter to put forward constructive remarks acceptable to all parties.

Personally, he would like to see the whole island of Singapore made a wild life preserve and all shooting stopped. The cold hard fact was that, the fauna was being wiped out fast; only remnants of the more interesting indigenous species were left, and these were still being shot.

Beyond a few snipe and golden-plover that came in the autumn, there was nothing much to shoot on the island and he can see no reason why any man should be allowed to exterminate our small resident stock of quails as some were trying to do now. When these quails had gone there would be no more.

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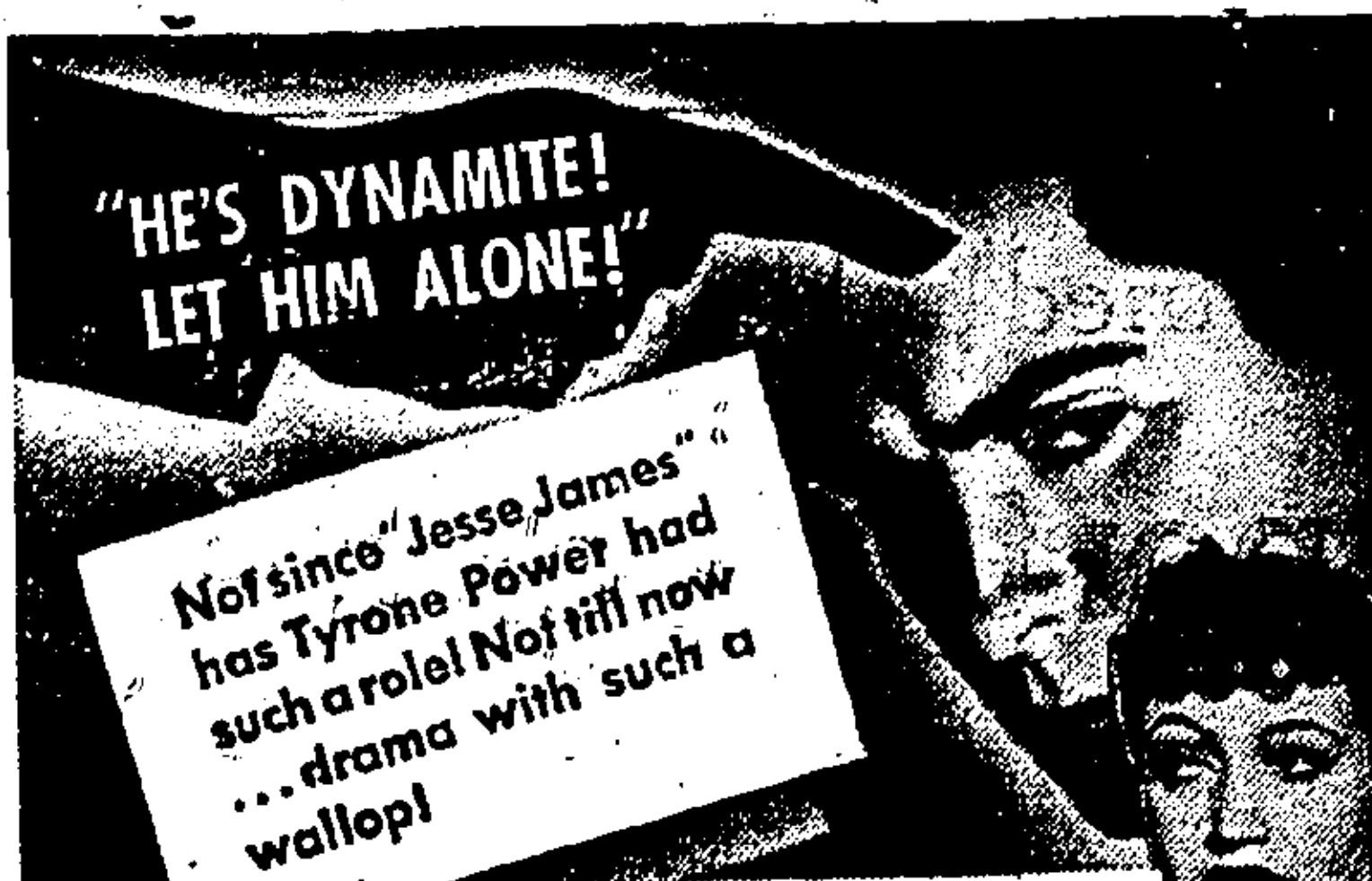
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FEB. 11—Tides: High 9.37 a.m. and 8.46 p.m. Low 3.15 a.m. and 2.22 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.58 a.m.; Sunset: 6.18 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Diocesan Boys' School, New Territories Starts.
H.E. Acting Governor to dine with Col. H. W. M. Stewart, O.B.E., M.C., and Officers of 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regt., 3.15 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, D.O. South, 11.30 a.m.

H.K. University Union Assembly Room, Lecture by Mr. John W. Y. Yuen on "My Principles of Scientific Management of Industrial Enterprises," 8.30 p.m.

Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. Ltd. Annual Meeting, 11.30 a.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Mrs. Lechmere Clift's Bible Class, 9, Hillwood Rd., 10.30 a.m.

St. Andrew's Church: Warlike Intercession Service, 6 p.m.

Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

12—Tides: High 10.08 a.m. and 9.34 p.m. Low 3.52 a.m. and 3.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.57 a.m.; Sunset: 6.19 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.

Little Flower Club Concert, 6 p.m.

Lawn Bowls: H.E. the Acting Governor to entertain Bowlers at Govt. House, 3 p.m.

Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.

H.K.F.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

13—Tides: High 10.42 a.m. and 10.19 p.m. Low 4.27 a.m. and 3.41 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.57 a.m.; Sunset: 6.19 p.m.

H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Little Flower Club Concert, 9 p.m.

Mobile Black-Out Demonstration, 7 p.m.

14—Tides: High 11.16 a.m. and 11.07 p.m. Low 5.03 a.m. and 4.37 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.56 a.m.; Sunset: 6.20 p.m.

St. Valentine's Day.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.

Police and Police Reserve Dinner Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

15—Tides: High 11.53 a.m. and 11.37 p.m. Low 5.37 a.m. and 4.57 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.56 a.m.; Sunset: 6.20 p.m.

H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting First Day, 11.30 a.m.

H.E. the Acting Governor leaves for Fanning Lodge.

16—Tides: High 12.37 p.m. Low 6.14 a.m. and 6.22 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.55 a.m.; Sunset: 6.21 p.m.

Lawn Bowls: K.C.C. v. Lane Crawfords.

Junior Golf Championship — Semi-Final.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

17—Tides: High 12.54 a.m. and 1.2 p.m. Low 6.47 a.m. and 7.27 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.54 a.m.; Sunset: 6.21 p.m.

H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting Second Day, 11.30 a.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.) Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12.30 p.m.

18—Tides: High 2 a.m. and 4.16 p.m. Low 17.24 a.m. and 8.57 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.54 a.m.; Sunset: 6.21 p.m.

H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting Third Day, 11.30 a.m.

H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

19—Tides: High 3.25 a.m. and 3.22 p.m. Low 8.03 a.m. and 10.47 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.53 a.m.; Sunset: 6.22 p.m.

20—Tides: High 5.07 a.m. and 4.37 p.m. Low 8.55 a.m. and 8.55 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.52 a.m.; Sunset: 6.22 p.m.

21—Tides: High 6.54 a.m. and 5.47 p.m. Low 12.18 a.m. and 10.21 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.51 a.m.; Sunset: 6.23 p.m.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.25 Overak—Concerto in A Minor, Op. 53.

1st Mov: Allegro ma non troppo; 2nd Mov: Adagio ma non troppo; 3rd Mov: Finale—Allegro giocoso, ma non troppo — Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and Orchestre de la Societe des Concerts du Conservatoire.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Rawicz and Landauer on "Two Pianos."

Schubert Time (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Waltz Memories from Vienna (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Faust — Waltz Variations (Counod — arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Carmen — Selection (Bizet — arr. Rawicz and Landauer).

1.15 Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

1.15 Czarina Mazurka (Ganne); La Matichiche (March on a Spanish Air — arr. Bilton); Tarantelle De Concert (Greenwood, arr. Godfrey); The Voice of the Bells (Luigini, arr. Miller); Villanelle (Dell'Acqua-Winterbottom).

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music by Billy Cotton and His Band.

Fox-Trots — The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot; Moonlight on the Waterfall; Fox-Trots — I'm A Little Prairie Flower; The Best of Friends; Novelty Waltz — Maybelle, Maybelle; Fox-Trot — Horsey, Horsey; Fox-Trot — Squibs (from the film); Quickstep — Bring out the Little Brown Jug.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Haydn-Symphony No. 102 in B Flat Major.

1st Mov: Largo-Allegro vivace; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Menuetto (Allegro); 4th Mov: Finale (Presto) — Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

6.55 A Song.

The Meddens are Telling (The Creation—Haydn)—Royal Choral Society and London Philharmonic Orchestra with Organ.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay — Questions of the Hour.

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Verdis "Rigoletto" Act 1.

Singers in order of appearance: Dino Borzelli; Guido Uxa; Ida Mannarini; Riccardo Stracciari; Aristide Baracchi; Bullo Baronti; Eugenio Ballarigine; Ernesto Dominici; and Mercedes Casper with Full Chorus of La Scala, Milan, and the Milan Symphony Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay — Talk: 'Scots Abroad.'

9.45 Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

Strip the Willow (arr. Diack); Petronella (arr. Diack); Skye Boat Song (arr. Diack); Strathspeys — Medley (arr. Diack).

10.00 Musical Comedy Selections.

"White Horse Inn"—Selection—New Mayfair Orchestra. "New Moon" — Vocal Gems (Hammerstein 2nd and Romberg) — Light Opera Company with Orchestra. "Bow Bells"—Selection (Sullivan)—New Mayfair Orchestra. "Hit the Deck" — Vocal Gems (Youmans) — Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

10.30 Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Get Your Boots Laced, Woody Herman and His Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—Concertino on the Pavement; Waltz—When Shall We Two Meet Again—Mantovani and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Washington and Lee Swing. The Jazz Me Blues—Bob Crosby's Bob Cats. Fox-Trots—When Buddha Smiles; Rock Island Flag Stop — The Casa Loma Orchestra. Waltz—Memories Live Longer Than Dreams—Jack Payne and His Band.

11.00 Close down.

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Transmission V—News Summary 6.45 p.m.
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do. 12.00 mid-night

Trans. II & III—News Summary 7.30 a.m.
Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

SECRET FOR 7 BITTER YEARS

For seven bitter, torturing years a pretty 25-year-old girl kept to herself the tragic secret of the birth of her baby, the discovery of whose body in a pond had provided a baffling mystery for the police at Burgess Hill, Sussex, where she resided. Then, as the years sped by, innuendoes began to wag, and gossip linked the name of the girl's mother with the riddle of the baby.

This false and malicious accusation so preyed on the girl's mind that she decided—cost what it might—to reveal the truth to the police.

This poignant story was told at East Sussex Quarter Sessions at Lewes, where the girl, Frances Mary Bird, a laundress, of St. Andrew's-road, Burgess Hill, pleaded guilty to concealing the birth of her male child in July, 1933.

The story began, related Mr. Gumbel in August, 1933, when a railway porter found the body of a child in a pond at Burgess Hill.

The police were informed, but after investigation they could not obtain any evidence to connect anyone with the matter.

STATEMENT MADE

Seven years later, in July of last year, Frances Mary Bird called at a police-station and made the following statement:

"I want to tell you about the dead baby found seven years ago. 'They say my mother did it and threw the body into the pond. This is not true. I want to make it clear that my mother knows nothing about it.

"All this scandal was my fault. I was working at the time. I felt ill, and it happened near a chicken farm.

"I did not hear the baby cry. I thought it was dead. I tied a cloth round its neck and put it in the pond."

"On that statement made by the girl, and not as the result of any police action," concluded Mr. Gumbel, "this girl is now in the dock."

Mr. Geoffrey Lawrence, for the girl, declared that there had been a lot of local gossip. She had pleaded guilty to concealing the birth of her child to save her mother's honour.

"This poor girl has carried this secret tragedy for seven years in the face of malicious gossip," continued Mr. Lawrence.

"She was only 18 when this happened. She never told the father she was going to have a

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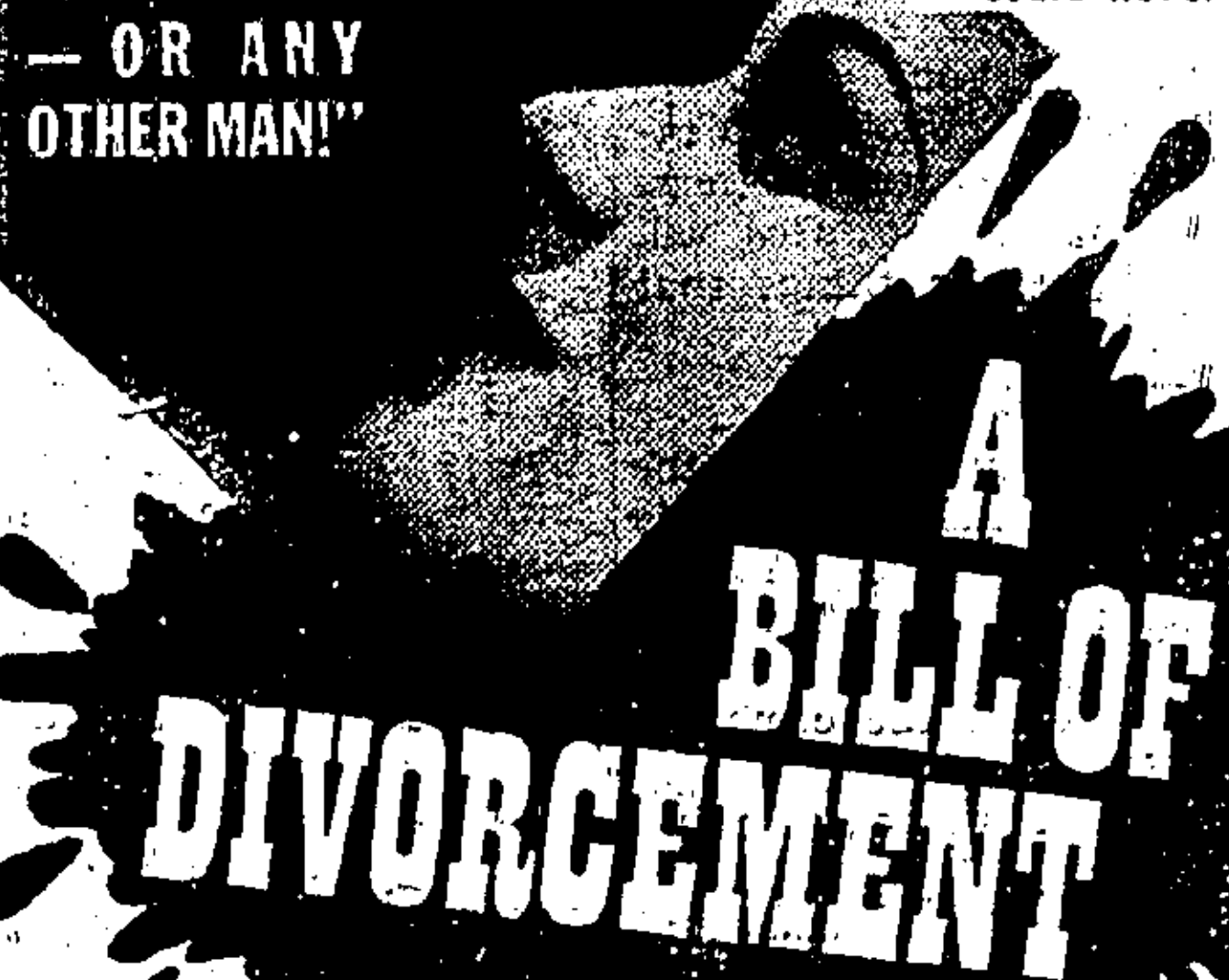
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Wild Geese Find New Feeding Grounds

The wide dispersal of blue and lesser snow geese in Manitoba during the 1940 spring migration has aroused new interest in the migrating habits of these waterfowl, according to the prairie migratory bird officer of the Department of Mines and Resources.

Millions of these birds, which ordinarily broke their northward flight to feed and rest in low, wet prairie stubble fields northwest of Winnipeg, sought new feeding grounds.

The steadily declining water-table caused the geese to scatter as never before in the memory of Manitoba naturalists, and tens of thousands of them appeared in districts where large flocks have not previously been seen.

Most of the great flocks chose baby. She has never told anyone else. Only the girl knows who the father was."

Sentencing Bird to one day's imprisonment, which meant her immediate release, Lord Cautley, K.C., chairman, remarked that the little-tattle of relatives sought to involve her mother in this offence, and the girl had taken the laudable course of making a full confession.

Many of the lesser snow geese presumably go to the western Arctic Coast, but large numbers, accompanied by all the blue geese, fly directly to James Bay and thence northward to the nesting grounds on Baffin and Southampton Islands.

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WHAT T.V. SOONG SAID SEVEN YEARS AGO HAS COME TRUE

JAPANESE AGGRESSION PROVEN TO BE HAMMER BY WHICH CHINA UNITY WOULD BE FORGED

The following address at the China Society Dinner in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, was delivered by Dr. T. V. Soong on Jan. 23, 1941:—

Some seven years ago, on my way to the London Economic Conference, I had the honour of addressing you on the subject of the Japanese seizure of Manchuria. I said on that occasion that although Manchuria then appeared to many as a distant issue in some far-off land, this first act of international brigandage in many years, unless brought to book, would be the frightful and fruitful parent of similar lawlessness elsewhere until the whole world was involved in a general conflagration.

Arriving in London, a few days later, I addressed in similar vein the China Committee of the House of Commons with Sir John Simon, then Foreign Secretary, presiding. I ended my talk by quoting a passage from Macaulay's historical essays, which described how Frederick the Great's seizure of Silesia from Austria, following after many years of profound peace in Europe, led to the Seven Years' War, which spread throughout the world so that "black men fought on the coast of Comorand and red men scalped each other by the Great Lakes of North America."

When we see the world in flames today there is no satisfaction in noting that what I said seven years ago has come true. There is, however, satisfaction in recalling that the second opinion I ventured has also proven correct, namely, that the Japanese aggression would prove to be the hammer by which the unity of China would be forged; that by the prodigal expenditure of blood and treasure in suffering, China would find her soul.

Since my arrival in the United States this time, I have often been asked how peace-loving China, with no navy and air force to speak of and a very inadequately equipped army, has been able to defend herself against the might of Japan, a nation whose army and navy are reputed to be among the world's best, and possessing in addition a numerous and modern air force. I shall attempt to answer the question tonight, but I confess that after everything has been said when one reviews the terrifying odds we have overcome, one may come to the conclusion that the real answer will be found in one of Oliver Cromwell's mystic quotations uttered at a time of deep distress: "For with what is not, God will bring to naught the things that are."

SUPREME CRISIS

China was fortunate that in the supreme crisis of her national life the occasion brought forward the man in General Chiang Kai-shek. The democracies are indeed fortunate that against the combination of Hitler, Mussolini, and Konoye they have outstanding leaders in Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek, and behind them and sustaining them, the towering figure of Roosevelt.

We usually think of General Chiang Kai-shek only as a soldier, but in him one finds not only the soldier, but the statesman who has clearly grasped the implications of the struggle and the political as well as the material forces engaged. It is necessary to emphasize in Chiang Kai-shek the statesman rather than the soldier, because in contrast with the Japanese militarists, to Chiang Kai-shek battles and wars are means to statesmanlike ends.

To illustrate: at the beginning of the war, for three long months the Chinese armies defended Shanghai against the mechanized divisions and naval and air attacks of the enemy. By the end of the second month it was perfectly clear that the line could not be held much longer without great sacrifice, and every well-wisher, including the German military advisers, urged an immediate withdrawal while there was yet time. Despite this obviously sound technical advice, General Chiang ordered the armies to hold on for four weeks longer, because the signatories of the Nine Power Pact were to meet at Brussels to seek a means of ending the Sino-Japanese conflict. I was then in Shanghai, and was an eyewitness of the terrific punishment our soldiers had to take.

A WEAK SPOT

There was a weak spot in our line on which the enemy concentrated his artillery and bombing attacks. I saw division after division sent in to hold the danger spot and many times on the second day a division had lost half of its effectives in killed and wounded, and on the following day the division had to be replaced. The slaughter was most appalling when flesh and blood were pitted against shells and bombs. There you have an instance when on

ECONOMIC TALKS IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Feb. 10 (Central)—Apart from designating several Ministers and experts to keep in close contact with them, the Chinese Government has also handed over important documents and other materials supplying first hand information regarding China's finance, economics, and communications to Dr. Laughlin Currie and Mr. Emile Despres, members of the American Economic Mission to China, for them to study.

Dr. Currie and Mr. Despres began to make a thorough study of these materials yesterday. Negotiations between them and Chinese high officials will be initiated today.

CHUNGKING & SINO COMMUNIST ARMY

CHUNGKING, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—A categorical denial was given here yesterday by a Chinese military spokesman to rumours that Chinese Communists were forming an independent army or that punitive measures against them had been taken or were contemplated.

After recalling that Chinese Communists had pledged their alliance to the national forces in September, 1939, the spokesman said that they undertook to abide by the orders of the Chinese Government. The Communist forces were now simply one section (about two per cent.) of the Chinese national forces.

CHINESE RE-ENTER TAIHO

LOYANG, Feb. 10 (Central)—Chinese troops have made a re-entry into Taiho and Kailow, important towns in northwest Anhwei, following the expulsion of the Japanese, who are now fleeing toward Pehsien and Shanghai with the Chinese in hot pursuit.

Of China. On the other hand, should the Japanese be permitted to have good and short lines of communication with freedom to bring up their heavy artillery, tanks, and airplanes, with such formidable armament they could break through any front held by the Chinese armies, lightly armed and without the support of an air force. During the heat and turmoil of the battles in Eastern China, our generals never lost sight of the fact that the Chinese line might be obliged to bend but should not be allowed to break, and that the further the enemy penetrated into the interior the weaker would become his attacks. As our Chief of Staff put it, "We must buy time with space."

At the same time, all the valour of the Chinese soldiers would have been of no avail had China not succeeded in firmly establishing her national unity. The willingness of the people to carry on despite the loss of their richest areas, despite the coastal blockade, and despite the unceasing bombing attacks, formed the permanent basis of our strength. While the main forces retired westward, we were able to carry out the unorthodox policy of leaving divisions and whole army corps behind, living on the country, nibbling at the flanks and at the rear of the enemy columns.

AMERICAN CONDITIONS

To use American conditions as an example: should a hostile army landing on the Atlantic coast penetrate beyond Pennsylvania and

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MAGNIFICENT WORK OF INDIAN TROOPS IN AFRICA PRAISED

DELHI, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Lieutenant-General Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief of India, in a broadcast yesterday paid a glowing tribute to the Indian troops for their part in the operations in Africa.

He said that on his way to India he had seen several Indian units in eastern Sudan, some of which had already fought at Sidi Barrani. "Even at this moment they are winning fresh battle honours," he said.

"On the eve of the latest brilliant victory, I received the following message from General Wavell: 'Indian troops are amongst the early reinforcements to arrive in Egypt and have been maintaining the defence of that country ever since.'"

"This long period was rewarded by their participation in the battle of Sidi Barrani in which the magnificent work of Indian troops enhanced the already high reputation they previously held."

BRILLIANT PURSUIT.—Since then, Indian troops have taken part in several important

actions culminating in the most brilliant pursuit from Kassala to Keren. In this action Indian troops performed extremely good work in most difficult conditions."

Lieut.-General Auchinleck also declared that everything suggested that the present year would be critical.

Concerning the possibility of an attempt to invade Britain, he declared he had no doubt whatever that if such an attempt were made it would "end in complete disaster" as Britain was now on vast fortress

TERRIFIC NAVAL, AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF GENOA

LONDON, Feb. 10 (British Wireless)—An Admiralty communique issued yesterday states that more detailed information has now been received concerning our operations against the Italian bases in the Gulf of Genoa. This shows that the bombardment and bombing were more successful than at first thought.

Our forces, under the command of Vice-Admiral Sir James Somerville, consists of H.M.S. Renown, Malaya, Ark Royal and Sheffield with light forces in company. Military targets in and around the port of Genoa were subjected to bombardment in which over 300 tons of shells were fired.

The following results were observed:

The Ansaldo Electric Works and Ansaldo Boiler Works were heavily hit, and large fires started. The main power station of the port, which also supplies power for the railways, was severely damaged and set on fire.

Many hits were also made on the dry docks and warehouses and the harbour works surrounding the inner harbour. Here considerable fires broke out.

SUPPLY SHIPS HIT.—The main oil fuel installation and oil tanks were repeatedly hit as were a number of supply ships, and the main goods yard of the railway.

Several tons of bombs and a large number of incendiaries were dropped by naval aircraft on the

oil refinery of Anic at Leghorn and other targets in the vicinity. The Anic Refinery is one of the largest and most important oil plants in Italy.

FISA ATTACKED

Other naval aircraft attacked Fisa where the aerodrome and railway junction were hit. This railway junction is an intersection of the main west coast railway from Genoa to Rome and to the south and is one of the most important railway routes across the peninsula from Leghorn to Bologna and Venice.

Two Italian aircraft which attempted to interfere were shot down. One British Swordfish aircraft is missing. No other casualties were suffered by the British forces in the course of these most successful operations.

Flandin Resignation Opens Way For Vichy Re-Shuffle

VICHY, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—M. Flandin, who succeeded M. Laval as Foreign Minister in the Vichy Government, has resigned, leaving Marshal Petain free to reform the government.

A communique issued here yesterday states: "M. Flandin, who responded to Marshal Petain's appeal when at a delicate moment the latter asked for his collaboration, has considered it his duty to place his office at the disposal of the head of the Government."

"This gesture will give the great soldier, whose responsibility alone it is to guide the destinies of France, the complete liberty he needs to take all the measures required by the present situation."

"The conversations Admiral Darlan had in Paris following the interview at Laferte (between Marshal Petain and M. Laval) gave to the Montoire policy a new reality. It is probable that the situation thus created will lead to decisions in the near future."

"M. Flandin was actuated by the wish to apprise the Marshal of the need to take personalities into consideration. The head of the Government has thanked him warmly for his gesture."

RE-SHUFFLE FORECAST.—LONDON, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Replacements of all French Ministers except Admiral Darlan (Minister for the Navy), General Huntziger (Minister for War) and possibly M. Barthélemy, the newly-appointed Minister of Justice, are expected in a Cabinet reshuffle, says a Vichy message to the official German news agency.

M. Flandin, in his letter of resignation to Marshal Petain, said: "I gave myself to the task myself laid down for me—to put into effect the policy of collaboration in respect of the armistice terms with dignity and honour." Force of circumstances caused him to ask the Marshal to accept his resignation.

EXPRESSION OF DUTY.—"I hope that this gesture will be understood and interpreted by all Frenchmen as an expression of the duty that falls to us, for the salvation of the Fatherland, to help you in your heavy task and remain united around you."

Marshal Petain has sent a reply to M. Flandin in which he stated that M. Flandin, by leaving the Government, was sacrificing himself for France. His gesture of noble disinterestedness would be understood and appreciated.

DARLAN PROMOTED.—VICHY, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Admiral Darlan, Minister for the Navy, becomes Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, states an official announcement.

He also becomes Vice-Premier (the post which M. Laval held but dropped on his dismissal).

Another Jap. Naval Plane Shot Down

KWEILIN, Feb. 10 (Central)—Following the shooting down of the Japanese Naval Transport at Hwangyangshan on the right bank of the West River on February 5, resulting in the death of Admiral Baron Mineo Osumi, Supreme War Councilor, and nine other Japanese, another Japanese naval plane is reported to have been shot down on February 7 at an undisclosed place. All the occupants were killed.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL: DEAN'S REVIEW

"I do not intend to speak of the political situation in general, but only as it is affecting the life of our community. Our prayers and thanks and gratitude have been for our friends in England who have shouldered such grave responsibilities with high courage. Many of us realise quite clearly that our future security is wholly dependent on the victory for freedom, and the decisive forces in that victory depend tremendously on the freedom loving peoples of England and America," said the VERY REV. J. L. WILSON, Dean of St. John's Cathedral, at the annual meeting of Electors at the Cathedral Hall yesterday.

Dean Wilson presided and was supported by Mr. P. S. Cassidy (Hon. Treas.), Dr. A. V. Greaves (Hon. Sec.), Rev. A. P. Rose, Prof. L. Forster, Mr. S. W. P. Perry and Miss Atkins.

Continuing, the Dean said in part:—

We assure our friends and relatives in England of our deep sympathy with their sufferings and a continued remembrance of their courageous spirits. Our own community has been further disturbed by the evacuation from Hongkong of so many women and children. I am bound to mention this subject here, in spite of its unpopularity because it has vitally affected our work during the past year.

At the invitation of His Majesty's Government, at the urgent request of a Voluntary Committee with the approval of the Cathedral Trustees and the hearty co-operation of the Bishop I accompanied many of the evacuees to Australia and while down there was permitted to assist in their well fare as they settled down to their new environment. I consider it to be, and still consider it to have been part of my pastoral duty, among other things, towards a large section of our people.

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

I spoke last year of the decrease in the number of communicants. I am glad to say that this has been remedied and we are back again at the 1937-38 figures, but there is still room for improvement.

There were 53 baptisms 5 of whom were adults Chinese converts to Christianity and the number of confirmation candidates was 11.

The high musical standard has been sustained in spite of the loss of so many of the choir, especially the choir boys.

The Cathedral Club continues to carry on successfully and by its victories at badminton enhances our reputation.

Prof. Forster continues to edit the St. John's Review and the fact that its circulation is small is a grave reflection on the Colony as a whole. The Review is far more than a parish magazine, it is an extremely able periodical which should be much more widely read, and would be if people took the trouble to look at it.

I would like to end this brief account by expressing my gratitude to many clergy who have helped me during the year, both at the Cathedral, at the Peak Church and the occasional services. My task has been made most pleasant by the happy co-operation with my Bishop and with my colleague Mr. Rose.

THE ACCOUNTS

In presenting the statement of accounts for 1940, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, said:—

The Accounts which I now submit show a deficit of \$2,049.83, so we are back to where we were in 1935 except that we have stronger reserves than we had then. I hope, however, that you will regard the final deficit of \$2,049 as not unsatisfactory in view of the abnormal times in which we are living.

It only remains for me to express my thanks to Messrs. Thomson & Co. for their services as Accountants and particularly to Mr. Maunier whose departure from the Colony will leave a gap hard to fill.

In his report, the Hon. Secretary, Dr. Greaves, said that there were 855 members on the electoral roll. He revealed that heavy expenses had been incurred by repairs carried out due to damages done to the Cathedral by white ants, and the installation of six new ventilators.

In moving the adoption of the Secretary's report, the Chairman moved a vote of thanks which was unanimously passed.

TRUSTEES RE-ELECTED

Mr. Cassidy and Prof. Forster were unanimously re-elected as representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Church of England.

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

LARCENY BY SERVANT

Lo Sam, 29, coolie, was fined \$10 or 14 days' hard labour for stealing two tins of sugar and a tin of milk, the property of Gnr. G. A. Green, from the Tytam Gap Fort on Feb. 9.

Prosecuting, Sgt. Kinloch said that defendant was employed as a coolie in the servants' quarters of the fort. He was arrested by a constable when he was seen carrying the goods in the street.

Defendant had two previous convictions.

THEFTS FROM TAIKOO DOCKS

For stealing seven and three-quarters pounds of white metal turnings from the Taikoo Docks on Feb. 2, Leung Wah, 52, coolie, was fined \$20 or one month's hard labour by Major Macfadyen yesterday.

A similar fine was imposed on Wong Chun-kan, 26, dock coolie, for stealing two pounds of the stuff on Feb. 9.

Convicted of larceny of 11 1/2 pounds of nuts and bolts, valued at \$14, Ma Hop, 58, dock coolie, was fined \$25 or two months.

Pleading guilty, Li Wah-hing was fined \$20 or one month for stealing one bran scuttle port nut, valued at \$15.

Sgt. Kinloch prosecuted in each case.

GAMBLING CASE

Hearing of the case in which Wai Tim, 36, unemployed, and Leung Kam-fuk, 45, shop keeper, were charged with keeping the first floor of No. 91, Main Street East as a common gaming house for the purpose of pal kau on Jan. 30 was begun before Major Macfadyen yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, who appeared for both defendants, pleaded not guilty.

The prosecution was conducted by Insp. W. A. Russell, assisted by Sgt. J. H. Evans.

After evidence for the prosecution was given, Mr. Russ submitted: "There is no evidence to convict. It is quite clear that domino is not a legal game, but there is no evidence to show the continuity or perpetually of using the premises as a common gaming house."

Hearing was adjourned to Friday, at 11.30 a.m.

THEFT BY SERVANT

Charged with larceny by servant of \$478 from R. A. Silva, of the Colonial Trading Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on Feb. 7, Leung Wong, 31, appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. Willison said that defendant was alleged to have lost the sum through gambling in the street.

Defendant was remanded to see whether he could make restitution.

CAMERAMAN IN COURT

Leung Ping, 24, assistant cameraman of the South China Motion Picture Corporation, Lee Garden, appeared before Mr. E. G. Sheldon yesterday on a charge of larceny of two rolls of film, valued at \$70, from the Company on Feb. 9.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison, prosecuting, stated that defendant was seen leaving the premises at 5 a.m. on that day with the film under his arm by a detective. On being stopped and questioned, he admitted the theft.

The complainant, Hon Ha-chai, who is manager of the corporation, pleaded for him.

In ordering defendant to sign a personal bond of \$100 to be of good behaviour for six months, Mr. Sheldon commented: "You are very fortunate to have a master like this."

AT KOWLOON

CONVICTION REGISTERED

Convicted on two charges of larceny, Wong Ming, 41, was sentenced to eight weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday.

Defendant was charged with larceny of a Foamite fire extinguisher and larceny of a fixture, to wit, an electric switch from Hop Yick workshop Shum Chun Street.

Sgt. Gordon said that defendant was seen carrying the property by a Chinese constable who questioned him. Accused admitted the larceny and said that he, on seeing the shop door open, just walked in and took the things from the wall.

Accused had a previous conviction.

SORDID CASE BEFORE POLICE MAGISTRATE

Attempted Seduction Of Young Girl

Hearing of the case, in which Fok Hang, fireman attached to the Central Fire Brigade, Chan Chung-yan and Li King, actors, were charged with conspiring to procure, by intimidation, to have carnal knowledge of a 20-year-old girl with second defendant, was continued at the Kowloon Magistrate before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday.

It was alleged that complainant fell in love with a foki of her father's shop, who, owing to his illiteracy, let the matter leak out.

Taking advantage of the knowledge defendants were alleged to have threatened her to part with her lover and to have carnal knowledge with second accused. Frightened by accused, the girl eloped to Shanghai with the foki but returned about ten days later.

WORKED TOGETHER

Giving evidence, Wong Wai, the foki with whom the girl was in love, said that Li and Fok were his old friends, having worked in the same shop. He received a letter from the girl and he brought it to Li and asked him to reply on his behalf.

On Sept. 27 complainant told Wong that she had been threatened by Li not to go around with him (Wong) that Li had another friend whom he would introduce to her. About three weeks later Wong was again told the same thing by his lover and they decided to run away to Shanghai so as to get away from defendants.

Wong denied the allegation by second defendant that he had promised to pay the latter for writing letters on his behalf.

After evidence hearing was adjourned to Feb. 20 at 11.30 a.m.

LOITERER GAOLED

Two months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Himsforth yesterday on Lai Hon, 27, for loitering at Prince Edward Road about 3 a.m. on Feb. 7.

Sgt. Gordon said that defendant was seen staring at the house by a Chinese detective who went up and questioned him. Accused said that he was going to Kowloon City where he was employed by the Kin Sang Construction Co. Inquiries showed that defendant held no such employment.

ROBBED FELLOW-LODGER

Pleading guilty to a charge of larceny of \$1,000 Chinese currency and two suits of female clothing from Ho Siu-wan, married woman, at No. 185, Reclamation Street, Tang Chuen, 38, was sentenced by Mr. K.M.A. Barnett yesterday to two months' hard labour and ordered to pay \$250 compensation to complainant or to serve a further four months in prison.

Det.-Sgt. Baldwin, prosecuting, said that defendant was lodger of complainant's, occupying the adjoining cubicle.

On the morning of Dec. 22 last year, complainant found her money and clothing missing from a drawer which was locked and at the same time she was informed that defendant and his wife had moved out.

Accused was arrested on information on Feb. 6 and the clothing was redeemed from a pawnshop.

GAMBLERS REMANDED

Li Ki, 38, fitter, of No. 23, Sung Street, was charged before Mr. Barnett yesterday with keeping No. 366, Nathan Road, second floor, as a common gaming house.

Lai Yat-kwan, 38, shop foki, and 21 others were charged with gambling.

Hearing of the case was fixed for Feb. 18 at 2.30 p.m.

First defendant was granted \$200 bail, while others were each allowed \$20 bail.

Mr. G. S. Ford appeared for accused.

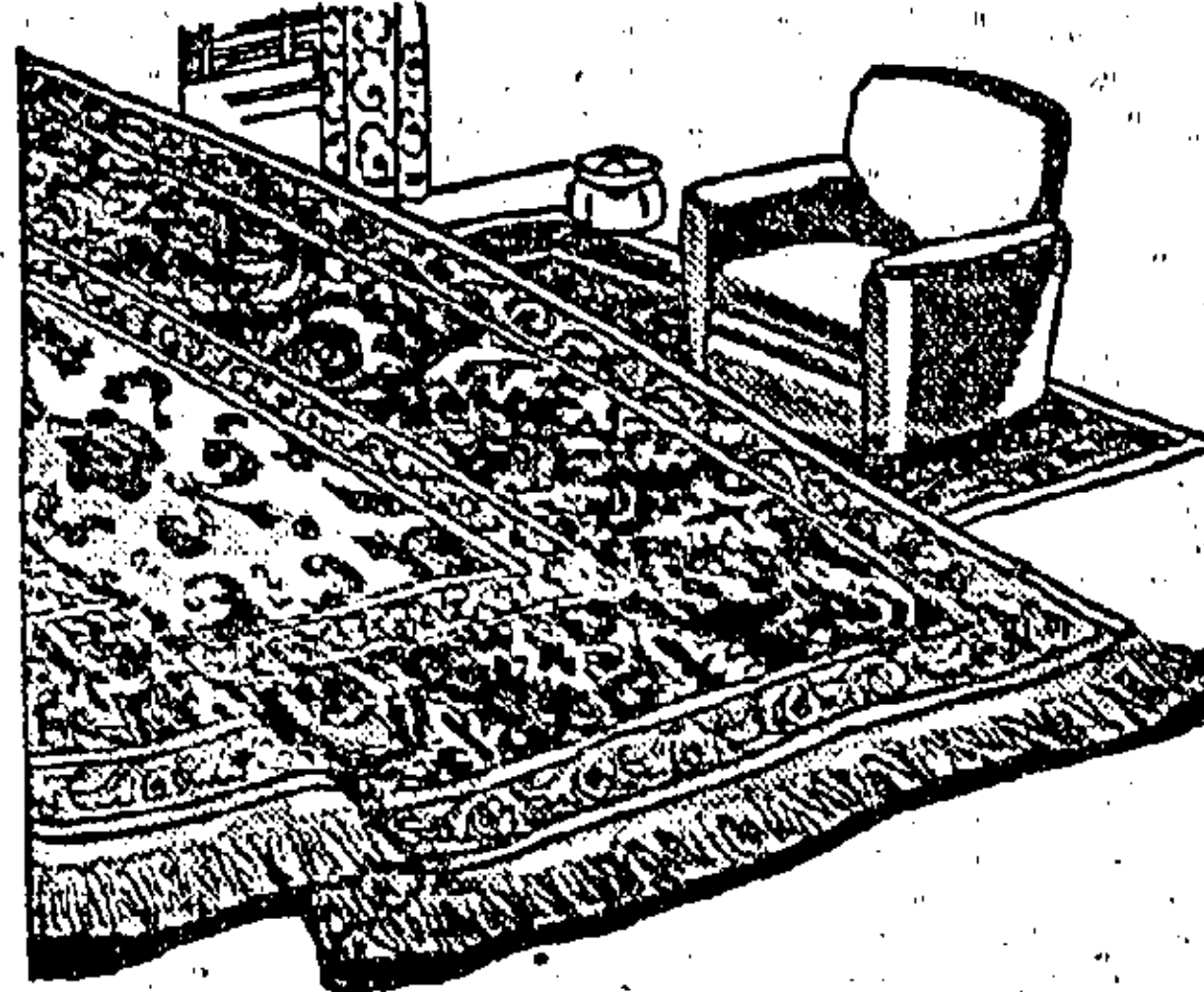
DANGEROUS DRIVING

G. H. Sheriff, Inspector of the Sanitary Department, was summoned before Mr. Himsforth yesterday for driving without due care and caution and failing to report an accident.

It was stated that defendant drove his car along Nathan Road about 1.30 a.m. on Jan. 2 and on turning into Laichikok Road he knocked down a rickshaw. The rickshaw coolie, Taol Wing, suffered injuries to the buttock. He was admitted to Kowloon Hospital where he was detained for two days.

It was alleged that defendant

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The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday the 13th February to Wednesday the 26th February, 1941 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be HELD at the Hongkong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 11th February, 1941, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st February to TUESDAY, 11th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS
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Hong Kong, 21st January, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 1st day of March 1941.

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CLIPPER DELAYED:
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Pan American Airways CHINA CLIPPER, which was originally scheduled to arrive in Hongkong today, has been delayed and is now not due to arrive in the Colony until Monday next, Feb. 17, and will leave the next morning. The CALIFORNIA CLIPPER is now scheduled to arrive on Tuesday next, Feb. 18 and will leave the following morning.

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PRIME MINISTER
TAKES STOCK

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL took the opportunity on Sunday night to "take stock," as he described it, of Britain's affairs during the past five months. His broadcast to the nation and the Empire must have been listened to with the greatest interest in every part of the world—and particularly so by the leaders of those countries which have seen fit to plunge the world into war in order to achieve their own selfish ends. Mr. Churchill, with his usual frankness, did not mince his words when he referred to the evil machinations of the tyrants of Europe and their friends. Nor did he fail to pay the highest tribute to the gallant manner in which the British Empire had stood up to its task and to the glorious achievements which had been won on the battlefields of North Africa. Indeed, his glowing references to these signal victories reflected his overwhelming confidence of the ability of the nation to meet the greater test which was yet to come and in regard to which he offered a word of caution, that nothing should now impede or hamper the vast scale of preparations which were being made to emerge victorious from this trial.

NO ONE who has read the Prime Minister's message to the Empire can accuse him of over-confidence or over-optimism. Nothing that he said can be construed to mean that he in any way minimised the dangers that lay ahead. In fact, Mr. Churchill declared that he had never under-estimated the strength of the forces opposed to Britain and her allies, but, at the same time, there was that ring of complete faith in the ability of the British people to go to their task without quailing, without confusion, without demur and without any other thought except that of securing for themselves and the whole world the freedom which the dictators of Europe are trying to take away from them. Mr. Churchill can be sure that the British people wherever they may be will not weaken in this resolve and that the whole English-speaking world, as he put it, aided by those victims of aggression who have turned to Britain for liberation, will soon be marching against the enemies of humanity "bearing with them the sword of justice."

LITTLE can be added to the little manner in which the Prime Minister "took stock" of the events of the past few months: There were, however, two very important references in his speech of which more than ordinary note must be taken. The first was in connexion with the Mediterranean theatre of war and his high praise for the successes of the British troops, the units of the navy and the Air Force. The passing of nearly the whole of Cyrenaica into British hands, in regard to which Mr. Churchill

THE ARMY OF FREE MEN
FROM AUSTRALIA: THEIR
SUCCESES & TRADITIONS

"When I talk to you about the Australians, I do so because that army of free men seems to me to typify the triumph of the ordinary man against those who for years have been speaking war, thinking war and preparing for war," said MR. COLLIN WELLS, a prominent Australian Journalist when he broadcast from London yesterday on the smashing successes of the Australian troops, the character and traditions of the Australian army and how its achievements compare with those of the last war.

"When the last war broke out in 1914," said Mr. Wells, "Australia and many other nations were called upon to make their first large-scale war effort. Nobody knew how they would shape. Everyone knew their physique was good, but that does not make men good fighters."

UNKNOWN QUANTITY
"Even in 1914, people suspected that it was going to be a scientific war, so that mere physical strength and physical courage counted far less. So the Australians were an unknown quantity. After all there is no co-operation so effective as the co-operation of the intelligent men who can think for themselves."

"More than one democratic army has proved this and none of them have proved it more brilliantly than the Australians in the last war and in this. You may think that the exploits of an army drawn from a small nation is not of much importance in a world war. If you think that, you are wrong."

"Australians in the last war did many things, but they did three things which were among the major events—firstly, they made up half the force that stormed Gallipoli against defences that were considered impregnable and they held their position in circumstances which others would have believed impossible. Secondly, in Palestine and in Syria they played a major part that might have been said to have decided the course of the war, and thirdly, in Flanders they won success as shock troops and they set an imperishable memory by breaking the

chill paid a great tribute to the leadership and organisation of General Wavell and his staff, makes it practically impossible for the Italians, even with German help, to regain the initiative there. Apart from this it has been the greatest incentive to the Arab world to support Britain's cause and proof of this is already forthcoming in the reports that Iraq and Iran are taking steps to tighten their bonds of friendship with Britain, thus rendering null and void the much-talked-of efforts of the German "Lawrence of Arabia" to win over Arab sympathy to their side.

THE OTHER significant statement in Mr. Churchill's speech was his reference to the Balkans and to the threats which were being directed against these states by Herr Hitler. His appeal to them to stick together in order to overcome any aggression against them contained in it more than a promise of some form of practical assistance from Britain, if they would take the initiative to fight off the terror which was seeking to destroy their liberty and independence. What he has now told the world should convince these states that their only hope lies in a British victory and that, therefore, they should take his words seriously to heart. Coupled with this appeal to them to stand fast was the Prime Minister's expressed view that increased American assistance to Britain could now be accepted as certain. This in itself should show the world that the resources behind Britain in this great struggle for freedom are now unlimited and that they will be used to the fullest capacity until, as he said, "we finish the job."

enemy line in 1918 and so bringing about the collapse of the German army.

A BIG PART

Mr. Wells said that he was only recording the history of the Great armies of the allies and the fact remained that a relatively small Australian Imperial force played a relatively big part in winning that war. Another fact was that at that time Australia was completely inexperienced in war. There had never been a war on Australian soil and the Australian people adopted some forms of national defence with only a reasonable degree of enthusiasm. They did not take it very seriously.

The idea of a regular army was repugnant to them, so the only regular army was the nucleus of officers and N.C.O.'s of the garrisons. And then in 1914, Australia found itself involved in a European war.

"When I saw the transports sail from Australia," said Mr. Wells, "I had no idea of what they were going into, but it was only a matter of a few months before that force of volunteers won themselves heroism. They were free men banded together to fight the enemies of freedom. Men with something to fight for will always win in the end, otherwise civilisation would have gone ages ago."

THE SAME STORY

"Today it is the same story. Just a year ago contingents of the Australian Imperial Forces, with their comrades from New Zealand, reached the Suez Canal. They, however, did have two things that their predecessors of 1914 did not have—they had veterans in their ranks and a tradition to live up to. That has been the stand-point of their successes in Africa."

"After all, the early Diggers are much closer to our pioneering days. Most of them had led independent lives. But today, Sidi Barrani, Capuzzo, Solum, these are names that marked the swift progress of the Army of the Nile. They marked too the progress of the Australians in the footsteps of their fathers—and so on to Bardia, Tobruk, Derna and Benghazi."

"I don't make these statements to glorify the race to which I belong," said Mr. Wells. "After all martial glory is not what democratic people look for and no man is more of a hero today than the ordinary citizen of bombed London. But when I talk about the Australians, I do so because that army of free men seems to typify the triumph of the ordinary man over those who for years have been speaking war, thinking war and preparing for war."

"What are the qualities that turn peaceful fellows into such terrible warriors? Not merely strength and intelligence. It is more than that—it is independence of mind and Australia will today stand up against the will of the tyrants."

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 72 and the minimum 63.
Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 4.05 inches against an average of 1.80.

The Royal Observatory report states:—
An anticyclone of considerable intensity covers the greater part of China and Manchuria. The depression is moving into the Pacific to the south-east of Japan.

MARINE COURT

A fine of \$15 was imposed yesterday by the Marine Magistrate, Cmdr. T. C. Stiff, on Chan Leung-hi, 24, charged with having boarded a vessel in harbour yesterday without the permission of the master or the officer in charge.

The theft of 52 bags of cement aggregating 4483 from a contractor's hut in Magazine Gap Road on Sunday has been reported to the Police by Yiu Wang-yun, of No. 80, Hennessey Road.

TSE-FA
GAMBLERS
RAIDED

As the result of raids carried out by the Police on Sunday, the following appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with keeping common gaming houses for the purpose of "tse fa":

Cheng Tung and Yiu Kam, No. 323, Wanchai Road, first floor, had their bail of \$75 each estreated.

Kwok Yau, No. 223, Queen's Road West, first floor, was fined \$50.

Tse Fong and Pun Shun, No. 15, Percival Street, first floor, had their balls of \$75 each estreated.

So Kong and Chan Yuen, No. 8, Wing Fong Street, first floor, were fined \$100, or six weeks' hard labour, each.

Cheung Tung, No. 24, Tai Wong Street West, first floor, was fined \$100 or two months' hard labour. Table money, totalling \$18.31, was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

KWANGTUNG TO
ESTABLISH
FOUR FACTORIES

To develop industries in the province, the Kwangtung Provincial Government has decided to establish four factories in the present year. They are: a spinning and weaving factory to be capitalised at \$220,000, a match factory, an iron refinery, and a flour mill.

The latter three factories will have a joint capitalization of \$500,000 and will be operated and managed by the Department of Reconstruction.—(Central News).

London Rent
ProblemMust Tenant Pay If
Unexploded Bomb
Forces Withdrawal?

If you have had to evacuate your house because of an unexploded time bomb, are you still liable for the rent while you are absent?

This was the point discussed by Mr. Frank Powell at Tower Bridge Policecourt when two men, who said they had been absent for five weeks from a house because of a time bomb and subsequent damage, appealed to the magistrate.

They said they had originally been ordered out of the premises by A.R.P. wardens. Mr. Powell said: "Where by reason of the presence of a time bomb or other enemy action adjacent to property tenants are ordered to leave, and are absent for, say, a week or more, there is a frustration of contract which relieves the tenant from liability to pay rent while he is so absent from his house."

A legal authority said to me last night that in his opinion a new point had arisen. There has been no decision on the position of tenants compulsorily evacuated. Provisions exist under the emergency legislation where the premises are untenable.

NO RULING

Officials of the Home Office and the Ministry of Health could not give any ruling, and I was referred to the Housing Centre. An official there said:

"The Landlords and Tenants War Damage Act of 1939 says that where houses are uninhabitable through war damage the rent need not be paid. But time bombs where apparently not contemplated at the time the Act was drafted."

"The practice of some local authorities has been in the case of time bombs not to charge rent or rates if the tenants are absent more than four days."

Mr. E. M. Goldring, secretary of the Property Owners' Protection Association, said: "In the opinion of this association the effect of evacuating by reason of a time bomb is not evacuation within the meaning of the orders made under the Courts Emergency Powers Act, 1939."

"There is no provision for rent, suspension of, or, relief of payment of rent, nor can the landlord in turn, demand any relief in respect of rates."

"A tenant is only entitled to relief in two cases: Under a compulsory evacuation order, when rent is suspended for the period of war, and under the Landlords and Tenants War Damage Act."

New Plans In P.I. To Help
Poliomyelitis Disease

The establishment of another reconstruction clinic in a nearby warm spring, organisation of a committee of experts to conduct research and investigation of the etiology, epidemiology and therapy of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) and the purchase of two or more "iron lungs" are the measures being considered by the President Roosevelt's poliomyelitis committee in the Philippines, reports the Manila Bulletin. While there is an immediate need for these measures, the committee is handicapped in its fight against the dreaded disease because of lack of more adequate funds.

Due to the increasing number of patients being attended to, the new Poliomyelitis Reconstruction Clinic, the first of its kind in the Philippines, on the San Lazaro Hospital grounds, will not be adequate in the near future. It was learned it was pointed out that a bigger and better place will be needed for the clinic.

ONE "IRON LUNG"

At present the clinic has only one "iron lung" costing P2,600 which presents a dangerous situation in the future if two or more cases needing the use of the "iron lung" are reported. Dr. Jose D. Estrella, medical officer in charge of the poliomyelitis clinic, declared that another "iron lung" will soon be acquired as a donation from the Masonic Temple.

Poliomyelitis patients, it was pointed out, cannot be successfully aided without physiotherapy and orthopedic surgery. In order to render the maximum professional service to the patients, the committee is studying a plan to send a medical officer abroad as a government pensionado to specialise in physiotherapy and orthopedic surgery.

Likewise, the use of a swimming pool was declared necessary in the rehabilitation of poliomyelitis patients. To accomplish this end, it was understood that the committee will recommend the construction of another reconstruction clinic at a nearby spring.

ORGANISED IN 1937

The Poliomyelitis Reconstruction Clinic in the Philippines was organised on July 21, 1937, by Secretary of Health and Public Welfare Jose Fabella, then commissioner of health and public welfare. It had its first clinic at the leper department building of the San Lazaro Hospital. The clinic was transferred to the dispensary building in 1938 before it was moved to its present remodeled building.

The clinic was organised to undertake the rehabilitation of poliomyelitis patients who suffer after effects of the disease. From July 1, 1939, to June 30, 1940, 113 poliomyelitis patients reported for clinic treatment. Most of the patients are Manila residents, while some are from the provinces.

Patients treated by Dr. Jose Rodriguez, skin specialist, have been given violet-ray applications. Some cases of chronic and acute arthritis, neuritis, sciatica, lumbago, Bell's palsy and others needing physiotherapy measures have likewise been treated in the clinic.

TREATMENT

Most of the treatments given in the clinic are physiotherapy measures, such as high frequency current vibrator, massage and adjustments, the latter done mostly by the masseur.

"The total number of patients treated in the clinic is 250, of whom 113 had had poliomyelitis and 137, other diseases. Attendance at the clinic was 4,139 and the number of treatments given, 12,255. One patient usually receives more than one kind of treatment, it was learned."

Poliomyelitis, it was explained, is a cosmopolitan disease and is as deadly in the arctic as on the equator, with considerable variations in prevalence from year to year. It is not possible to predict when or where it will strike, it was pointed out.

REST ESSENTIAL

Patients afflicted with the disease should be isolated in the acute state and should remain quiet in bed for a month or more. Rest is essential to prevent further spread of paralysis and permit recovery from the paralysis already present.

Children stricken by the disease are given carefully planned exercises by Mrs. Robinson Schay. The exercises are designed to train healthy muscles that will take over the functions of the paralyzed ones. This method is so far the only non-surgical treatment known to improve the condition of victims of the disease. Mrs. Robinson Schay, after her arrival in the Philippines, took up this work while she was in Baguio a few years ago. Her success in her work with a few children entrusted to her care led to her appointment to the

Explaining the symptoms of the disease, Director Aguilar issued the following information: "The early symptoms of this disease may simulate any of the indefinite illnesses of childhood. It is an acute illness with a sudden onset. The symptoms first to appear are headache, mild fever and some gastro-intestinal disturbance. The stomach symptoms, such as nausea and vomiting, are fairly constant but not striking. There is often constipation rather than diarrhea. Headache, frontal in character, appears early and is persistent. The average temperature is about 38.9 degrees Centigrade (102 degrees Fahrenheit)."

"Many of the patients complain of pain or stiffness of the neck and back and these may be detected readily on inspection. The child cannot bend his chin upon the chest nor the head forward between the knees and when he sits up the whole spinal column is held in an erect position. Any attempt to accomplish this act produces excruciating pain."

DEGREE OF PROSTRATION
The degree of prostration is usually greater than might be expected from the moderate fever. The face is flushed and the child is drowsy, but frequently becomes very restless or irritable when disturbed or handled. Symptoms referable to the upper respiratory tract are as a rule not pronounced. Chills, cough, sore throat, dizziness, or rashes may occur, but are not particularly suggestive of the disease.

"The most characteristic feature late in the disease is paralysis of motion without loss of sensation. The paralyzed limbs are often very tender and sensitive. The paralysis usually develops about the third day, but may occur anytime within a week after onset. Often the initial symptoms are very mild. After a day or two of indisposition or perhaps a single restless night, the paralysis appears. It is impossible to make a definite diagnosis of poliomyelitis before the onset of paralysis without a lumbar puncture and examination of the spinal fluid."

NEWSETTES

Mr. H. C. Durrschmidt, of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., left Hongkong for Singapore yesterday.

Mr. W. J. Wilson, of the American President Lines, left Hongkong yesterday for Manila.

Mr. Wu Ying-kai, of No. 43, Western Street, reports that someone broke into his house on Sunday and stole \$79 worth of clothing.

The following forthcoming marriages were announced at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday:—Mr. Yeung Tai, merchant, residing at 385 Queen's Road West, and Miss Loo Lai-yung, of 36 Cochrane Street; Mr. Qu Yeung-yi, cashier, of 188 Hennessy Road, second floor, and Miss Yung Sau-ping, 224 Queen's Road East, second floor.

Mrs. Rose Jong, wife of Mr. P. F. Jong, of Massachusetts, America, announced the engagement of her second son, Frank King, to Miss Mary Tai, eldest daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. B. Tai, of No. 35, Shek Kei Mei Street, on Sunday before a large gathering of guests at her residence, No. 798, Nathan Road.

The motion that "Modern scientific developments have brought more harm than good in their train" was defeated by 12 votes to five at a debate held by St. Andrews' Club last night. The Rev. H. Wittenbach was in the chair. Speakers for the motion were Mr. A. C. Jeffreys and Mr. Christian, and the speakers against Mr. B. D. Evans and Mr. G. S. P. Heywood.

Dr. P. Z. King, Director of the National Health Administration, arrived in Kweiyang from Chungking yesterday to inspect health work and to attend the commencement exercises of the Health Workers' Training Class.

GERMANY REGRETTING FAILURE TO GET HOOKS ON THE FRENCH FLEET

"The Germans must be regretting that when they imposed the armistice terms on France they failed to get their hooks on the French Fleet," said MR. THOMAS CADET, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the latest developments in Vichy.

Mr. Cadet stated that after all sorts of wild reports about the situation in France, the latest news from trustworthy sources is that Marshal Petain was still resisting the attempts of Germany to get hold of the French Fleet and the French naval bases.

Only on Sunday, Mr. Cadet said, the wires were humming with reports that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan had fled to North Africa. These had no doubt been given out by the Germans in order to create the impression of confusion having broken out in France and that the Germans would have to step in to offer the country their protection.

"This tale broke down," said Mr. Cadet, "for in a few hours Vichy itself gave the lie to the reports and, more important still, responsible American newspaper correspondents on the spot reported that Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan were still there."

DROPPED BRICK
"Realising that they had dropped a brick, the Nazis did not continue this line and before they could think of a new piece of fiction, a disagreeable piece of real

DEATH OF CAPT. EUAN WALLACE

FORMER CABINET MINISTER

The death occurred in London yesterday of Capt. Rt. Hon. Euan Wallace, M.C., M.P., former Minister of Transport, at the age of 48, states a London message.

The late Capt. Wallace was appointed Senior Regional Commissioner for Civil Defence in London last year.—(Special)

SERVED IN FRANCE

Born in 1892 he was educated at Harrow and the R.M.C., Sandhurst. In 1911 he joined the Life Guards, and was Adjutant from 1915 to 1918. He served in France during the Great War and was awarded the Military Cross.

In 1919 he went out to Washington as Assistant Military Attaché, and the following year was appointed A.D.C. to the Governor-General of Canada. From 1922 to 1923 he was Parliamentary Private Secretary (unpaid) to the First Lord of the Admiralty and to the Secretary of State for the Colonies during the next four years.

From 1932 to 1935 he was Civil Lord of the Admiralty, after which he became Under-Secretary of State for Home Affairs. From 1935 to 1937 he was Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade and during the next two years Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade.

MR. REED SMOOT

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Noted as the high priest of tariffs, an implacable opponent of war debt revision and a leading figure of the Mormon Church, the former United States Senator, Mr. Reed Smoot, died here at the age of 79.

Mr. Smoot was the co-author of the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act of 1929. He was for a long time chairman of the Finance Commission of the Senate and a member of the World War Foreign Debt Commission.

He was the centre of a bitter controversy in the United States over polygamy in 1903.

Mr. Smoot admitted his father was polygamous but said he himself opposed the practice, pointing out he had only one wife.

Finally the Senate Committee adopted a report opposing his unrepentant.

New Move To Secure War Production

LONDON, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—An important move to speed up the repair of bombed factories which will bring engineers and surveyors on the spot even while the raid is still on, is announced by the Minister of Works and Buildings, Lord Reith.

He has appointed as Director of Emergency Reconstruction Major-General C. C. Appleyard and permanent area officers throughout the country are to work with the Minister of Aircraft Production and the local Reconstruction Panels.

American Press Unanimous: Premier's Speech

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MR. ALBERT WARNER, commentator over the Columbia Radio network, said, "It was a moving appeal that Mr. Churchill made to the United States. It was characterised by confidence and sober determination, and by great restraint. It has brought a new prestige here."

The GERMAN broadcast fastened on to Mr. Churchill's reference to the four squares at Waterloo as an excuse for more praising of the valour of German soldiers in that battle.

WELL DOCTORED

The ITALIANS had the speech well doctored and the only sentence which was published was "the events in Libya are only part of the story." But what Mr. Churchill really said was "the events in Libya are only part of the story of the decline and fall of the Roman Empire."

The SOFIA RADIO devoted eight minutes to the speech but omitted all references to Bulgaria.

An American correspondent from Ankara writes that so-called Nazi tourists in civilian clothes are increasing every day in Bulgaria. On the Rumanian side of the Danube pontoon bridging equipment is now openly exposed. Inspired denials have been put forth in Sofia of Mr. Churchill's statement that German troops are already moving in Bulgaria.—(Special)

CORRECT MOMENT

NEW YORK, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—All current indications suggest that Mr. Churchill's speech last night came at precisely the correct psychological moment when it is most welcome to American public opinion.

News of British triumphs in North Africa and anticipation of Mr. Wendell Willkie's statements on his return from a successful tour of Britain, galvanised public interest in all sections of the United States people in foreign affairs.

This interest has been consolidated by Mr. Churchill's speech which was heard perfectly in most parts of the United States and received practically unanimous approval from the nation's most influential newspapers.

POWERFUL COMPARISON

A powerful comparison between the speech and the "profound silence surrounding Mussolini" of the frantic compound of rambling historical distortions unsupported by boasting which recently emanated from Berlin is drawn by the NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE.

N.E.I. Help For Britain

The Netherlands Government has given Britain a new motor vessel for use as a hospital ship, states a message from Sydney.

The same message added that in order to prevent goods from reaching the enemy, the Government was preparing to impose a licence system for exports to foreign countries.

Japan would not come within the list of countries to which this would apply, but only the minimum goods she required would be sent to her.—(Special)

The comparison forces the realisation, says this influential newspaper, that in the slow massing of British warlike power, is a tremendous force which can strike a crushing blow with decisive effect.

The CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER pays tribute to Mr. Churchill's sober honesty in his appraisal of the dangers confronting his people and the world.

THE KANSAS CITY STAR emphasises satisfaction that Britain does not want the American Army but does want American war materials.

THE ST. LOUIS "GLOBE DEMOCRAT" comments: "Mr. Churchill expressed staunch confidence that the British people can and will meet an attack on the British Isles. In that confidence we share."

FIGHTING SPIRIT

LONDON, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—The fighting spirit shown in Mr. Churchill's speech is fully reflected in Press comments.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH describes the speech as a "proclamation" that the nature of the war has undergone a change for which we may be deeply thankful and rejoice.

"Nazism has been helpless while Fascism has been struck deadly blows. The thunders of the British Fleet at Genoa shattered the shipyards and the resources of a base whence, as the Prime Minister put it, a Nazi expedition might soon have sailed to attack General Weygand in Africa."

"It has enforced the lesson that Signor Mussolini has challenged forces which will not rest till he and his system have been overthrown."

CHIEF OBSTACLE

THE TIMES says: "General Wavell's brilliant victories already have done much to remove the fear that the war was bound to end in stalemate which was possibly one of the chief obstacles of effective aid from America."

"Every bold blow we can strike at the enemy is valuable not only for its immediate military effect but also for the influence it has upon the feeling of the United States and among our friends throughout the world."

THE DAILY MAIL describes Mr. Churchill's speech as magnificent and says the naval bombardment of Genoa has postponed for a long time, if it has not stopped altogether, a joint German-Italian enterprise for an attack on General Weygand in Algeria and Tunisia.

REPLY TO INTRIGUES

Three hundred tons of shells flung into the works and dockyards of Italy's greatest commercial port are our reply to the schemes and intrigues whereby Hitler hoped to secure the French Empire and outflank General Wavell.

Genoa, like Benghazi, will offer immense encouragement to the Vichy Government in their stand against Hitler's demands.

THE MANCHESTER GUARDIAN says today that when the British successes have almost eliminated one member of the Axis and gravely embarrassed the strategy of the other, it is inconceivable that the French forces in Africa should be in a mood for capitulation.

ACT AT ONCE

Hitler may have decided he must act at once since every hour fortifies French sentiment and provides further proof of the power of British arms.

Hitler has powerful weapons to use against Marshal Petain's firmness, but in the present state of war and the present temper of France, he cannot gain advantages he seeks by force without increasing his own difficulties.

FIRM DETERMINATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Mr. Churchill's speech deeply impressed Americans owing to its frankness, modesty and firm determination.

It unquestionably added to the reputation Mr. Churchill enjoys in the United States.

His statement that no American troops will be wanted as far as he could see will help to dispose of some arguments against the Lease and Lend Bill in the Senate.

Britain's stock in the United States is running higher than ever at the moment with the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill by the House. Mr. Willkie's return from his trip to England and the astounding successes against the Italians in Africa.

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ANOTHER LIBYAN TOWN FALLS BEFORE LIGHTNING BRITISH ADVANCE

Willkie Back In America

NEW YORK, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—About 200 people greeted Mr. Wendell Willkie as he disembarked from the Dixie Clipper after his trip to England.

Talking to reporters immediately on alighting, Mr. Willkie said that he was "very much impressed by the unity of the British people."

When asked whether he had the same conclusions as to Britain as before his departure from the United States, Mr. Willkie replied, "My view as to how the matter should be handled has been affected and modified by what I have seen."

MR. YING RELEASED

SHANGHAI, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Mr. Ying Ing-seng, Chairman of the Chinese Gold Bar Stock Exchange who was kidnapped on Saturday in the Western District, was released after intervention by police of the Special Municipality.

NIPPON TROOPS ON THE RUN IN SOUTH HONAN

CHINESE RECAPTURE KIOSHAN

CHUNGKING, Feb. 10 (Central)—The Japanese in south Honan are fleeing back to Sinyang, their stronghold on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, where they started the offensive a fortnight ago while the Chinese in pursuit are converging on the town from three directions.

Following the recapture of Chumtien, 60 miles north of Sinyang, the Chinese pushed further down the Peiping-Hankow Railway and recovered Kioshan, 12 miles south, yesterday. Without even a pause they passed through Hwangshangpu and are advancing on Minghsien, 24 miles north of Sinyang.

To the west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway the Chinese have annihilated a part of the Japanese around Tangho, about 105 miles northwest of Sinyang, and have successfully "mopped up" the Japanese at Miyang, east of Tangho. Heavy losses were inflicted upon the Japanese reaching Sinyang. Slight skirmishes between Tangho and Tungshen on the flight back to Sinyang.

To the east of the railway the Chinese have recaptured Haikou, south of Chengyang, and are smashing their way to the railway to cut the Japanese retreat.

The Japanese troops at Loshan, about 30 miles east of Sinyang, were subjected to encircling attacks by the Chinese. They tried to make a sortie last week but were repulsed, abandoning a number of casualties.

WOMEN CARRIED OFF

Normal conditions have been restored at Chengyang and Junan following their recapture by the Chinese. Government offices have been moved back. Inhabitants reported that six cartloads of women were carried off upon the Japanese withdrawal from Junan while quantities of valuables were seized at Chengyang.

Supported by four artillery

Imperial Forces Now At Border Of Tripoli

CAIRO, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—Advanced elements of British armoured forces have occupied El Aghella, a coastal town 140 miles south of Benghazi and on the road to Tripoli.

Five senior Generals and many thousands of prisoners have been captured at Benghazi in addition to the Army Corps Commanders already reported. In Eritrea the disorganised Italians, according to yesterday's communique, are being chased towards Arera.

ABORTIVE ATTACK ON CONVOY

LONDON, Feb. 10 (Reuter)—The enemy plane which attempted to attack a convoy yesterday was promptly shot down into the sea by the escort vessel Pyt Iley. An Admiralty communique says there were no survivors from the enemy aircraft.

An R. A. F. Middle East Command communique says that the R.A.F. are harassing the retreating Italian forces. Motor transport, troops, gun emplacements and other objectives in and around Keren have been repeatedly bombed.

In Abyssinia, eight Italian machines were destroyed on the landing ground at Alomata, south of Lake Tana, and considerable damage was done by British aircraft to the camp.

EL AGHEILA OCCUPIED

A further big advance by British forces in Libya is announced in yesterday's Middle East Command communique, which states that El Aghella—about 140 miles south of Benghazi—has been occupied by advance elements of the British armoured forces.

Meanwhile, the communique adds, the clearance of the battlefields south of Benghazi is continuing.

In addition to the army commander and corps commander already reported as captured, five other senior generals and many thousands of prisoners have been taken.

Owing to the extent of the area covered by the final operations, some time will elapse before the exact number of prisoners and the amount of war materials captured can be known.

Another Offensive Sweep Over N. Coast Of France

ANOTHER OFFENSIVE SWEEP OVER THE NORTH COAST OF FRANCE was carried out by the R. A. F. yesterday, states a London message.

Two formations from the Bomber Command, accompanied by a strong force of fighters, attacked the coast from Boulogne to Dunkirk where bombs were dropped on docks. Two enemy fighters were destroyed.

The Air Ministry communique stated that in the course of reconnaissance and patrolling on Sunday an attack was made on enemy destroyers off the Norwegian coast and one enemy vessel was hit amidships.—(Special)

EARLY RAID

LONDON, Feb. 10 (BWS)—It is learned in London that a small force of R. A. F. bombers attacked objectives in North-West Germany in the early hours of this morning.

The Vatican radio has been jammed by an unknown source.

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KANSU PROGRESSING IN RECONSTRUCTION

After three years of vigorous efforts, Kansu is making notable progress in various fields of reconstruction, particularly in communications, according to Mr. Li Shih-chun, Commissioner of the Kansu Provincial Government.

With Lanchow, capital of the province, as the center, a network of eight inter-provincial highways has been built with a total length of 6,234 kilometers, of which 3,388 kilometers are in Kansu.

They are: the Kansu-Sinkiang Highway, 2,683 kilometers; the Kansu-Shensi Highway, 704 kilometers; the Kansu-Szechwan Highway, 1,080 kilometers of which 360 kilometers have been completed and opened to traffic; the Kansu-Chinghai Highway, 229 kilometers; the Kansu-Ninghsia Highway, 555 kilometers; the Hanchuan-Shangshihpu Highway, 410 kilometers; the Pingliang-Ninghsia Highway, 409 kilometers; and the Pingliang-Paochi Highway, 63 kilometers.

In addition, seven branch lines have been constructed, and several new ones are being projected. The highways already open to traffic not only traverse the various parts of the province but likewise form a system of roadwork linking the important cities in the entire Northwest.

Due to the scarcity of rainfall, Kansu has been frequently suffering from draught. Of the 17,600,000 mow of arable land in the province, paddy fields occupy only 2,700,000 mow, while the rest is all dry land unsuitable for rice cultivation. To combat the menace of draught and consequent famine, the provincial authorities have devoted special attention to the development of river conservancy work and irrigation projects.

IRRIGATION CANAL.

One irrigation canal was cut at Lingtao, south of Lanchow, and was completed at the end of 1938. The canal measures 28 kilometers in length and irrigates an area of 35,000 mow of land. Ten other canals have been under construction and are expected to be completed in the current year, while work on seven new ones is expected to begin soon.

In agriculture, efforts have been made at increasing production in order to meet the demands of the rapidly growing population which has already exceeded 6,000,000. In the autumn of 1938, an Agricultural Improvement Bureau was established, charged with the duty of effecting improvements in agricultural, forestry and animal husbandry enterprises. In addition, a model farm has been established in each of the four administrative districts of the province.

To develop afforestation, eleven forests have been planted and five nurseries established in different parts of the province. In animal husbandry, improvement and expansion are being carried out simultaneously. Besides engaging experts to study the methods of improvement, the provincial authorities have set up an institute for the training of a competent personnel. Meanwhile, four cattle raising ranches have also been established.

STILL BACKWARD

Kansu is still backward in industrial development. At present, there are four government-operated factories under the direction of the Provincial Department of Reconstruction. They are a contractors' workshop, a machine works, a paper mill, and a chemical works.

In view of the abundant supply of wool, numerous small handicraft spinning and weaving factories have sprung up in different parts of the province, since the start of the war. The woollen piece goods and blankets produced in Kansu are meeting a popular demand for clothing material for military and civilian wear, and are widely welcomed in many parts of China.

In mineral resources, Kansu is particularly rich in coal. Next are gold, manganese, nitre and petroleum. There are now five large coal mines, one gold mine, one manganese mine, and one nitre mine. Under the direct control and management of the Provincial Department of Reconstruction is a coal mine at Ankancheng near Lanchow, which supplies fuel for both household and industrial consumption in the provincial capital.—(Central News).

POLICE REPORTS

Mr. Chan Wun-fan, residing at No. 12, Prince Terrace, first floor, reports that between midnight on Saturday and 8.30 p.m. on Sunday, somebody broke into his house by forcing open a window and decamped with money and jewellery totalling \$746.

Mr. C. N. Matthews, of St. John's Hall, University, has reported the theft of a pocketbook containing \$138 from his room on Sunday.

Mr. W. J. John, of the Taikoo Docks, reports that two drums of paint and 25 fathoms of Manila rope, to the total value of \$535, were stolen from on board a ship lying in the harbour on Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Richardson, of No. 11, May Road, has reported the theft of a raincoat, valued at \$30, from car No. 5347 parked in the Statue Square car park between noon and 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Mr. N. Spence, of No. 23, Broadwood Road, reports that between 11.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. on Sunday, someone stole shoes and clothing to the total value of \$16 from car No. 419 parked in Chater Road.

southern half and near the bottom of it.

"The South China Sea is Japan's Mediterranean Sea, and forms the first battle line of the Japanese navy. In my personal opinion, the greatest battle of the two navies will be fought in this sea for establishing the supremacy over the Pacific.

"Lastly, America can attack Japan by sending its fleets along the north course by way of the Aleutian Islands, but most probably the American navy would not take this course for various reasons. At any rate, it is most certain that American naval operations across the Pacific will be started from Hawaii."

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTH CHINA PLANNED

Four important resolutions aiming at furthering the economic development of South China were adopted at a meeting of the Economic Affairs Committee of the Southwest War Zone.

The resolutions call for:

1. The creation of a fund of \$100,000 for the purpose of granting loans to farmers in southern Kwangsi to buy oxen and agricultural implements;

2. Appropriating of \$150,000 to the Kwangtung Provincial Department of Reconstruction to establish a flour mill in the East River region;

3. Large scale production of indigoes and improvement in the methods of manufacture; and

The establishment at Kwellin of a branch agency of the Price-stabilisation Bureau by the Ministry of Economic Affairs to check the rise of commodity prices in Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces.—(Central News).

FIRING PRACTICE

Firing practice, as under, is notified for today:—

(a) Heavy anti-aircraft practice in the southern area, of the Island between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Firing areas "C" and "D" will be affected.

(b) Light gun practice between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Firing areas "D" and "E" will be affected.

Alternative date—Feb. 13.

(c) Heavy gun practice between 6.30 and 10.30 p.m.

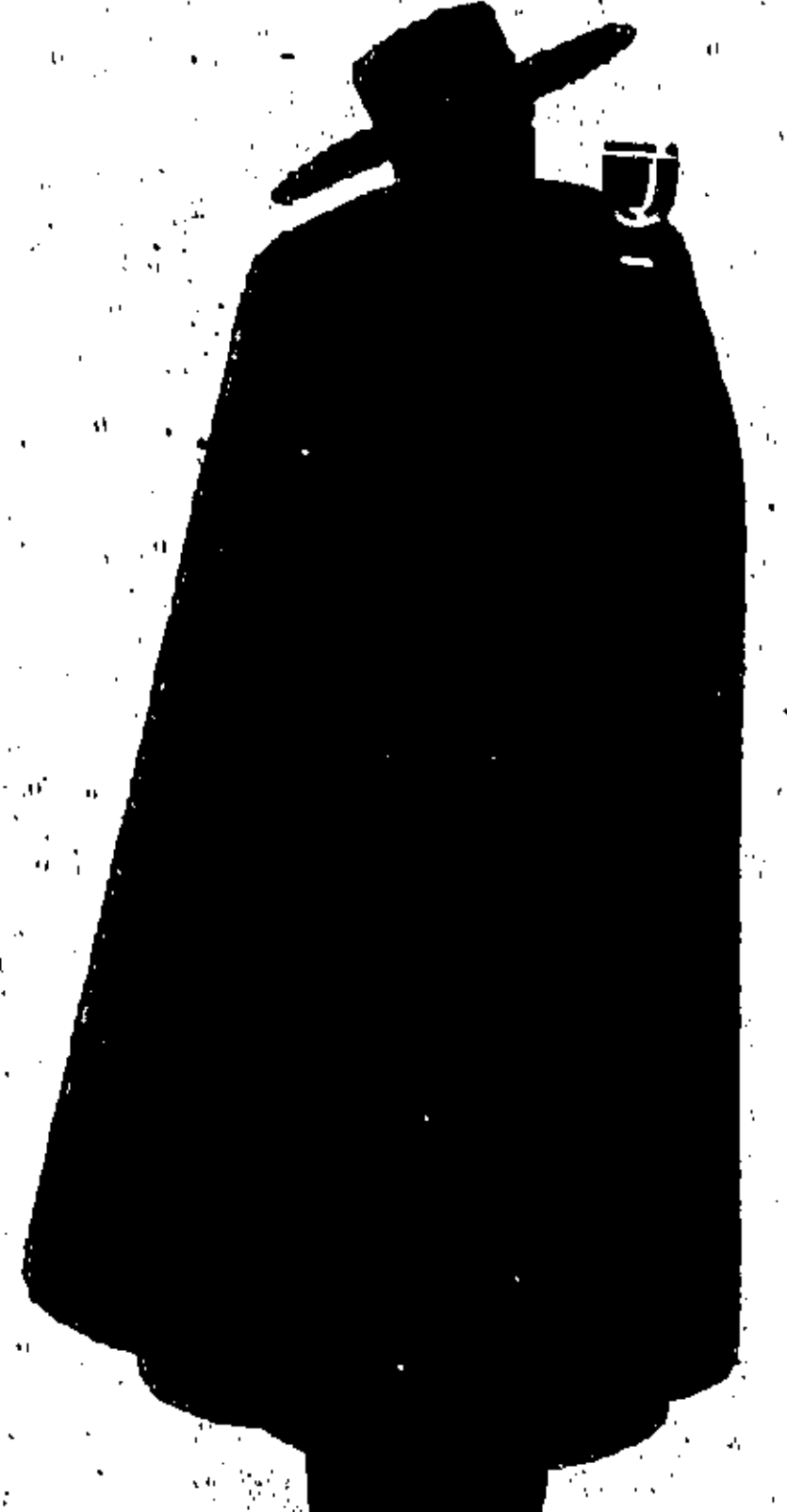
Firing area "A" will be affected.

(d) Light gun firing practice between 6 p.m. and midnight.

Firing areas "D" and "E" will be affected.

Firing practice, as under, is notified for tomorrow:—

(a) Heavy anti-aircraft practice in the southern area of the Island between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.



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TRANSPORTATION BUREAU

A total of 103 resolutions including reforms in the transportation system, betterment of the treatment of drivers, and organisation of a workers' welfare committee, was passed at the five-day conference of the Southeast Through Transportation Bureau held from Feb. 4 to 8. The conference was attended by delegates from seven southeast provinces, whose communications on land and water the Bureau directs.—(Central News).

between 6 p.m. and midnight. Firing areas "D" and "E" will be affected.

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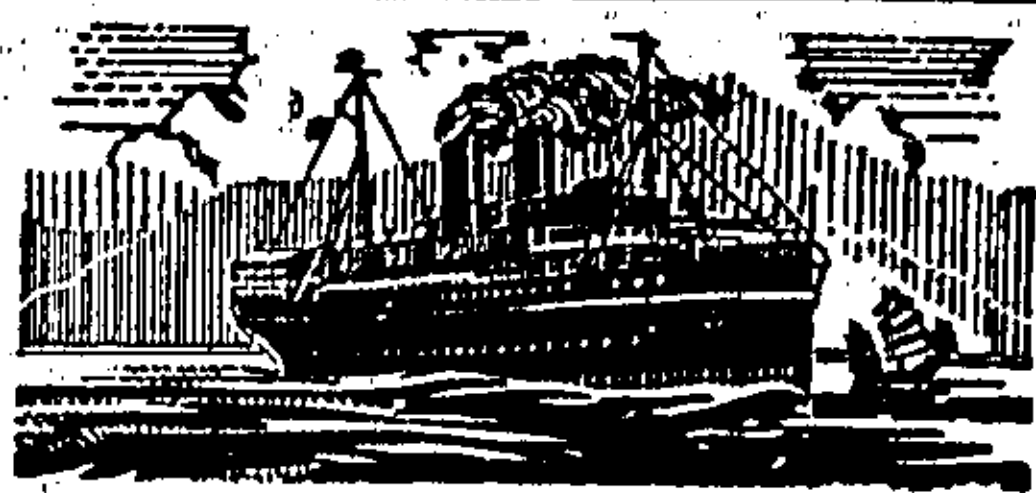
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JAPAN'S BUYING OF RICE LIKELY TO AFFECT P.I.

A 15 per cent slump in the rice production of Japan and the drive for food sufficiency being conducted by the Japanese government are liable to have an adverse effect on the activities of the Philippine government toward avoidance of a food shortage, students of Oriental economic trends told the Manila Bulletin recently.

Japan is doing all in its power to insure an adequate supply of rice in view of an impending major crisis. Due to diverse causes, its production of the cereal this year decreased by 15 per cent. Importation in large quantity is resorted to.

JAPANESE CONTROL

During the past several months, practically all excess rice in the hinterland of China under the control or influence of Japan has been imported by order of the authorities of the Land of the Rising Sun. The immediate effect of this was felt by Shanghai which has been depending on the surrounding provinces for much of its supply.

Unable to get rice from its regular sources, Shanghai has had to increase considerably its importation of the grain from Indo-China, the same source from which the Philippines gets much of its supply every year. Disturbed conditions in southeastern Asia due to the Indo-China trouble (although a truce has just been declared) and the Japanese invasion of South China make the situation worse for the Philippines as far as rice importation is concerned.

SHANGHAI ALREADY PINCHED

During the past year, Shanghai imported more than 4,300,000 quintals of rice (one quintal equals 220 pounds), more than 90 per cent of which came from Saigon and the rest from Thailand and Hongkong. Due to Japanese restrictions on importation of rice into Shanghai from the provinces, during 1940 the amount imported from foreign countries per month was more than ten times that during the pre-war days.

Principally due to this the price of rice in Shanghai hiked to unprecedented levels. In 1938 rice was quoted in Shanghai at \$13.63 per cwt of 75 kilos. In December 1940, the price was P108 per cwt. Of course it must be stated that due to war conditions the Shanghai dollar has been greatly depreciated in value.

Such a situation in China, Japan and Indo-China makes it necessary, according to economists, that the Philippines make efforts to insure sufficient production of its staple food and not to depend on importation to solve its food problem. The best way to achieve this, it was pointed out, is for the government to construct more irrigation systems and to improve the administration of those already in existence.

CREDIT HARD TO GET

In almost all rice-producing provinces, the greater portion of the lands are not reached by irrigation systems. This means that many of the farmers have to depend upon the elements for their production. They may get no water or too much water. Under those conditions, credit is hard to get from the banks, and money-lenders have to exact exorbitant rates to make up for the lack of securities.

It was pointed out that, while construction of more irrigation systems is necessary for the security of the people, it is not a solution to the present problem. Good irrigation cannot be built in a matter of months and the questions of food supply needs immediate solution. It is, therefore, imperative that the present system be enlarged and their service improved.

COMPLAIN OF ADMINISTRATION

Rice farmers from Luzon and the Visayas have been complaining against the administration of many of the irrigation systems. Many of the defects pointed out can be remedied by having the men in charge of the systems take more interest in their work or by increasing the personnel. Some farmers, for instance, reported that the trouble with many of the systems was not lack of water,

HARBOUR OFFICE NOTICE

A Harbour Office notice issued yesterday states that an obstruction extending from No. 13 Naval Buoy along the line of Naval Buoys 12, 11, and 10 to Commercial Buoy No. C 5, and thence to a position approximately 1.0 cable west of Kellett Island will be laid today (Feb. 10).

but improper distribution of the water.

They reported that some of the landowners in the upper part of the system, when they saw that there was danger of lack of water, would build temporary dams to pool the water on their places. In this way, the lands farther down received an inadequate supply of water. This practice is illegal but it is not found out on time due to lack of supervision by the men in charge of the systems.

In other cases, it was pointed out, the canals become shallow in spots due to heavy sedimentation and water in sufficient quantity fails to reach the lands in the lower regions.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Feb. 10.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.10 ins.

Temperature, 69 F.

Humidity, 75 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4

Temperature: Maximum yesterday, 87 F.

Temperature: Minimum last night, 64 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 4.06 ins.

Against an average of 1.80 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.17 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.58 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 10.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.04 ins.

Temperature, 67 F.

Humidity, 83 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 11 to 17 Feb. 1941.

High Water. Low Water.

Days of Week. Days of Month. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height.

Tues. 11. 09.37. 4.6. 03.16. 0.6.

Wed. 12. 20.46. 7.6. 14.22. 0.9.

Thur. 13. 10.08. 4.9. 03.52. 0.5.

Fri. 14. 21.34. 7.6. 15.07. 2.6.

Sat. 15. 10.42. 5.1. 07.27. 0.5.

Sun. 16. 22.19. 7.6. 15.51. 2.4.

Mon. 17. 11.16. 5.4. 05.03. 0.6.

Tues. 18. 23.07. 7.3. 16.37. 2.1.

Wed. 19. 11.55. 4.6. 05.37. 1.0.

Thur. 20. 23.57. 6.7. 17.57. 3.1.

Fri. 21. 12.37. 5.7. 18.32. 2.2.

Sat. 22. 00.54. 5.9. 06.47. 3.1.

Sun. 23. 13.24. 5.9. 19.27. 2.4.

Maximum temperature, 72 F.

Minimum temperature, 63 F.

Rainfall, nil.

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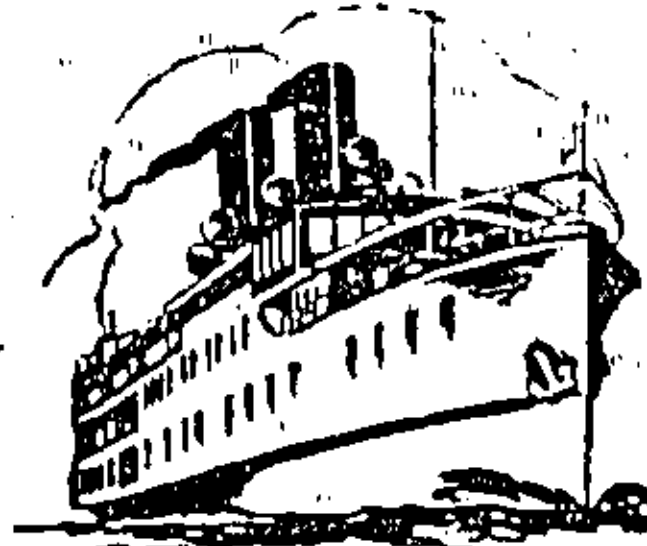
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Fresh Operations Against The Italians Being Continued: South African Troops Capture Much War Material

The latest communique from Cairo states that fresh operations against Italian forces are being continued, states a London message.

LIBYA—Clearance of areas up to El Agella are proceeding satisfactorily.

ERITREA—Our troops have already captured two towns one of which is on the Red Sea coast, 140 miles south of Massawa. Pressure on enemy positions at Keren is continuing.

ABYSSINIA—South African troops have advanced 50 miles within enemy territory, capturing large quantities of war material.

ITALIAN SOMALILAND—Intensive patrol activity continues.—(Special)

A prediction that Marshal Graziani will now withdraw his entire army towards Tripolitania where the Italians will build up new and strong coastal posts is made by SIGNOR ANSALDO, writing in Count Ciano's paper *Telegrafo*, states a London message.

Signor Ansaldo does not mention how much of the entire army will be withdrawn or how the reinforcements will be brought across the British controlled Mediterranean.

PAINFUL BLOW

He admits the Italians lost most of their armoured units at Sidi Barrani and adds, grudgingly, that the fall of Benghazi was a painful blow, but that the British exploited their mechanised superiority with undeniable ability.

The Rome correspondent of a Swiss paper writes that the fall of Benghazi made a deep impression on the Italians who are mourning the loss of the province of Cyrenaica considered to be the jewel of the Italian Empire.—(Special)

RELENTLESS SUPPORT

LONDON, Feb. 10 (BWS)—The support given by the R.A.F. to ground forces in Eritrea and Abyssinia continues relentlessly.

Yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communique reported: "R.A.F. aircraft continue to harass retreating Italians in Eritrea."

"At Karora, which is on the Eritrea-Sudan border near the coast, an enemy concentration was bombed. Further south at Alamata, in Abyssinia, our aircraft attacked a landing ground and destroyed eight CA-133's."

"South of Lake Tana our aircraft attacked a camp near Danghilla. The landing grounds near Dessie were also raided."

ELEVEN PRISONERS

"From all the operations under review, only one of our aircraft is missing. Eleven prisoners have been captured from Capronis shot down near Dif on Feb. 3."

"It is now confirmed that one CR-32 was also destroyed in the same engagement."

"Malta was raided by the enemy on the night of Feb. 7/8 and a number of bombs dropped. There were no R.A.F. casualties or damage."

"In the communique of Feb. 3, it was stated that one of our fighter aircraft was missing. This aircraft has now returned to its base."

DROMES RAIDED

Yesterday's communique issued by R.A.F. Headquarters stated that on Saturday night, bombers raided two aerodromes on Rhodes Island.

On the same night aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out a successful raid on Tripoli where a hangar was set on fire at a sea-plane base.—(Special)

WARM CONGRATULATIONS

LONDON, Feb. 10 (British Wireless)—The Egyptian Government have asked His Majesty's Ambassador in Cairo to transmit to the British Government their warm congratulations on the capture of Benghazi.

GOLD RING IN ENVELOPE

A supposedly empty envelope, thrown away as waste paper, was later found to have contained a valuable ring.

According to a police report, the unfortunate incident was experienced by Mrs. A. E. Southard, wife of the U.S. Consul-General, of No. 515, The Peak, who threw away an envelope containing a gold ring, valued at \$200, at a place near the rickshaw stand in Chater Road at 4 p.m. yesterday.

The ring is S-shaped, with emerald set in centre and small diamonds on each side.

Light-Lieut. P. R. O'Connor, of Capetown, and Flying Officer H. T. Mitchell, of Port Hope, Ontario, have been awarded the D.F.C. states a London message.—(Special)

Muddling Methods Of The Immigration Office

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passed for a consideration, without inquiries being made.

IMMEDIATE STEPS

On his attention being drawn to this, Mr. Forrest took immediate steps to stamp out this alleged corruption and closed down several agencies for "malpractices."

But the racket continues to persist. New conditions, amounting to practically an order to cease business, were later imposed on the agencies. One of these conditions was that no agency is permitted to charge more than \$1 for any service it may render its clients. The \$1 is also to include the cost of two photographs.

Reference to the Ordinance failed to show under which Section of the Bill the Immigration Officer is empowered to appoint AGENTS of any kind or description. Section 3 (1) of the Ordinance states that "the Governor may appoint any person... to be Immigration Officer... also such number of Deputy Immigration Officers and Assistant Immigration Officers as he may think fit."

CONTROL ALL AGENCIES

Not satisfied with the appointment of such agencies, the Im-

migration Officer appointed recently "an Immigration Agency" to control all agencies—whatever that might mean. Investigations, however, revealed that this agency acts as a sort of deputy for the Immigration Officer and has the power to impose such conditions as it might think fit on the other agencies.

According to an advertisement published in the local papers of Dec. 13 to 16, University graduates, or those whose educational standards were equivalent to that of universities, were invited to apply for the positions of assistant immigration officers at a commencing salary of \$200 per month. All candidates must be between the ages of 30 and 40, and MUST HAVE THE ABILITY TO READ AND WRITE ENGLISH AND CHINESE WITH FLUENCY!

The appointment of some of the staff appears to have been somewhat hurried and haphazard where these qualifications are concerned.

Perhaps, when the Unofficial members of the Legislative Council take the matter up with Government they could demand a thorough investigation into this question.

INTERESTING FOOTBALL AT C. HILL

EASTERN-MACAO MATCH TO-DAY

An interesting soccer game has been arranged for this afternoon at Caroline Hill when EASTERN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION meet a MACAO eleven which is paying a visit to the Colony at the invitation of the former club.

The visitors, who are expected to arrive this morning, will stay at Hotel Cecil and will return to Macao by Saturday.

Today's match will commence at 5 p.m. while tomorrow on the same ground the visitors will be entertained to a game by South China.

Macao had expressed a wish to meet Sing Tao but arrangements for this game, it is learned, have not yet been made.

The following is the Macao team: Carvalho; Americo Cordova; Chi Fu; Sousa; Colaco; Magalhaes; Ipoutou; Alrosa; Guerreiro; Lao Chou-kuan; Chong Chan-kong. Reserves: Mendes, Pimenta, Leandro.

Eastern's line-up will be Lau Hin-hon; Ng Kee-cheong, S. Y. Yen; Kwi Wing-fook, Hsu King-sing, Lo Wai-kuen; Fu Chaf-bun, Cheung Kam-hoi, V. K. Hyul, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

NAZI TRICK EXPOSED

An official statement by the British Ministry of Information exposes a clever trick used by German agents, in the United States, according to a London message.

This is to affix Nazi censorship seals on letters sent to Portugal by air to show the intensiveness of German control in the air.

This is meant to suggest that the planes are intercepted and letters examined.—(Special)

SHAYUCHUNG REPORT

The Chinese report that the Japanese have left Shayuchung was authoritatively denied yesterday. The same source claimed that the Japanese have not only occupied Shayuchung but also spread to neighbouring villages along the coast.

Major Chess Upset

KARPOVICH BEATS SEQUEIRA

The first major upset of the Colony Open Chess Championship was scored last night by L. KARPOVICH, competing in the Tournament for the first time, when he beat C. M. SEQUEIRA, six times Colony champion.

Sequeira, having the black pieces, played the Nimzewich defence to white's queen's pawn opening. A weak move shortly prior to adjournment last Thursday night placed him at a positional disadvantage. Karpovich making the most of this and securing a pawn.

FORCED EXCHANGE

A forced exchange lost Sequeira a second pawn and eventually a third. Playing brilliantly in an end game of four pawns against seven, each player having also a rook, Sequeira managed to reduce the pawn margin to one but could not stop a passed pawn.

The game, played in two sessions, lasted 6½ hours.

Karpovich thus takes the lead after two rounds, being the only player to win both his games. Zimmerman has 1½ points, Sequeira and Coxhead 1 each. Carvalho and Weiss 0.

BADMINTON RESULTS

University 'B' beat Chinese Y.M.C.A. by 6-3 in the 'A' Division of the badminton league last night.

M. P. Young and Y. T. Young (U) lost to C. Au and H. Koh (Y), 8-21; beat F. Koh and C. Y. Yung, 21-9; beat T. C. Lam and P. H. Wong, 21-15.

C. K. Lee and S. L. Yung (U) beat Au and Koh, 21-12; beat Koh and Yung, 24-21; beat Lam and Wong, 21-11.

K. B. Low and S. Amplanavar (U) beat Au and Koh, 21-14; lost to Koh and Yung, 21-24; lost to Lam and Wong, 12-21.

Mr. Robert Murphy, Counsellor of the United States Embassy at Vichy has been transferred to a similar post in the American Embassy in London, states a London message.—(Special)

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

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United Kingdom and Straits	15th Feb.
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Calcutta and Straits	18th Feb.
Sandakan	21st Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	23rd Feb.
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United Kingdom and Straits	28th Feb.

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For	Date and Time
TUESDAY	Tue. 11th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Ord. 8.30 AM
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Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	10.30 AM 7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 13th
	K.P.O. Reg. 10.00 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Air Mail by sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	G.P.O. Reg. 10.00 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	10.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa	11.30 AM 3.30 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 14th
	K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Formosa and Dairen	7.00 PM 7.00 PM
MONDAY	Mon. 17th
	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Shanghai and Parcels only for United Kingdom	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A. & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
TUESDAY	Tue. 18th
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	K.P.O. Reg. 11.00 AM Ord. 11.30 AM
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways"	G.P.O. Reg. 11.00 AM Ord. 11.30 AM
Straits	12.30 PM
	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 19th
Swatow	1.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 21st
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta	3.30 PM
Manila, Batavia, Mauritius, Lourenco Marques, East and South Africa via Durban	3.30 PM

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